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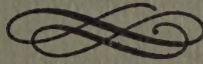


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## TOWN OFFICERS — 1973

Moderator, Town .....	Sydney J. Meachem
Moderator, School District .....	Sydney J. Meachem
Town Clerk, Town - Term Expires 1976 .....	Helen E. O'Donovan
Town Clerk, School District - Term Expires 1976 .....	Helen E. O'Donovan
Town Treasurer, Town .....	Margaret J. Harrington
Town Treasurer, School District .....	Margaret J. Harrington
Selectmen: —	
Term Expires 1974 .....	Calvin C. Skinner
Term Expires 1975 .....	James W. Lee, II
Term Expires 1976 .....	Roger E. Rumney*
Term Expires 1974 .....	Byron P. Bowen
Term Expires 1974 .....	John P. Stannard
Term Expires 1974 .....	Henry G. Stone**
School Directors: —	
Term Expires 1974 .....	John J. Sheldon
Term Expires 1975 .....	Barbara C. Smith
Term Expires 1976 .....	Rhys Evans
Term Expires 1974 .....	Chester D. Andrews
Term Expires 1974 .....	Warren Murray
Listers: —	
Term Expires 1974 .....	Theodore Earle
Term Expires 1975 .....	William F. Gilbert
Term Expires 1976 .....	Charles R. Erdman, III
Auditors: —	
Term Expires 1974 .....	Audrey Palmer
Term Expires 1975 .....	Charles H. Simmons
Term Expires 1976 .....	G.V. Menzies Seymour
First Constable .....	Harold R. Beebe
Second Constable .....	Nathaniel Tyler, III
Tax Collector .....	Harold R. Beebe
Town Agent .....	Malcolm E. Cooper
Grand Juror - West Side .....	Charles Nichols
Grand Juror - East Side .....	Byron Bowen
Town Manager .....	Vernon Squiers

\*Resigned

\*\*Appointed

Term of office one year unless otherwise identified.



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

During these past months Dorset lost one of its most loyal and devoted citizens, Henry G. Stone. Henry had served his town in one capacity or another, as justice of the peace and selectman and many more, for some fifty years. We shall miss him and remember often how he was always there when you needed him.

Dorset's 1973 year was marked by achievement and failure. Again the Town's operating costs were less than its budget, — this year by \$524.00 notwithstanding extraordinary charges arising from the extreme mud conditions in January and the flood situation in June. Our failure was that we could not lick the mud condition which was the worst in many many years. Everything within our power was done, some 400 extra tons of stone and gravel were put in the worst places and only part of one day did we have to close any roads. The Town Manager was on the phone constantly with State Road Engineers to see if there was anything more that we could be doing. There just wasn't enough money, materials or man power to overcome this freak of nature. We did our best and we appreciate the patience of our citizens.

Compared to some Vermont towns, Dorset's flood damage was relatively light. We did have some washing out of road sections and some stream and bridge damage. As soon as the flooding conditions were over, the Town Manager carefully assessed our problems and spent some 70 hours developing the paper work necessary to make us eligible for State and Federal Aid to repair our damages. \$6,563.00 has already been received and we hope for \$2,615.00 more.

Because of receiving this flood damage money, coming as it did in early 1974, the Town will not suffer because of a new ruling just made by the State concerning when towns will receive State-aid moneys. Whereas, we used to receive our total years State-aid money before December 31st of a given year, the new system makes payments quarterly starting with July 1st, 1974. Therefore, the Town will not receive any State-aid money until then and will receive only two quarters in 1974. The flood damage money will happily carry us over this interim period without much less in total State money to be received in 1974.

And speaking further of money, Dorset received \$29,612.00 more dollars in Revenue Sharing Funds in 1973 and \$10,456.00 so far in 1974 and we should receive \$10,456.00 on April 7 next. With interest and what was left over from the previous year, and with the Aprilcheck, we have approximately \$57,561.00 to be allotted.

On October 24th, 1973, your selectmen held a public hearing to see how citizens wanted to have Revenue Sharing Funds spent. As a result of that meeting, a schedule of payments is being put before the voters at the March 5, 1974 Town Meeting (see warning published in this report for details). All of these moneys are directed toward benefiting all Dorset citizens either in services rendered or in direct tax savings.

In the list of warned items this year, a request for funds for a full time policeman is included. The need for such a man continues to grow and the dependence for police protection on the two constables becomes more and more unfair. Voters may be surprised by the lowered



## Selectmen's Report — continued

costs of this service as compared with what we have suggested in the past. A big reason for this is the reliance we can now put on revenue from fines. We have already \$3,971.49 in the bank received in fines during the past year. Some of these would be applied against costs for the balance of this year, if the policeman is voted, and for the next year and following years fines will cover a substantial amount of the costs.

Following is how we arrive at costs for 1974 and 1975:

- 1974 salary \$5250 — equip. 500 — uniform 500 — maintenance 200, Insurance 200 — gas & oil 500 — cruiser 3500 — total \$10,650, less \$2650 from fines — net cost \$8000.
- 1975 salary \$9000 — equip. 250 — uniform 250 — maintenance 200, insurance 400 — gas & oil 1000 — depreciation on cruiser 1000, total \$12,100 less 3100 from fines — net cost \$9000.

A full time policeman for Dorset is needed and we hope the citizens will vote favorably for it.

Town Government has changed very substantially in the past years. Henry Stone, who had seen more of these changes than any of us, was going to make a speech about this at Town Meeting. Where there used to be 12 or 14 meetings a year, there are now between 40 and 50 not including Board of Civil Authority meetings and Board of Abatement Meetings. To take full advantage of any government money available, stacks of reports must be constantly read and hours and hours of paper work done by the Town Manager and Selectmen. Act 250 hearings, hearings to do with power lines coming into Dorset, dog ordinance hearings, Zoning change hearings, cooperation with the School Board, Bicentennial Committee work — all take up a large amount of time.

Without an efficient Town Manager, the Town just could not operate as well as it does. Our Town Manager put in more than 2,500 hours in work for the Town last year, and these work hours often started very early in the morning and lasted until late into the night. In addition, to all the meetings he had to attend here, he went to Springfield and Bennington and Montpelier for more. He is on the phone constantly with the League of Towns and Cities, or with legislators in Montpelier or with highway engineers on matters seriously affecting the Town. He diligently watches the development of different legislative activities which could affect the Town and acts accordingly. Twice in the past year he has attended hearings and influenced legislation.

All these things and many more are part of Town Government carried on for the benefit of all citizens. We have raised the Town Manager's salary this year to a level commensurate with his services to the community and in line with salaries paid by other towns for possibly not as good service. We do not believe we should continue a lower salary just because it is there when a man is worth more to the Town and could get considerably more if he went somewhere else. And, if he did and there is no threat that he will, we would have to pay as much or



## Selectmen's Report — continued

more for a new unknown quantity. That doesn't make sense so we have raised the salary to what it should be.

One or two more items. We want to thank Jim Stannard for representing the Town in conjunction with plans for the veterans picnic at the McCollough Mansion, which went off successfully. We want to thank Russell Weston for representing the Town so well in organizing the beginning of an area Medical Center. We want to thank Col. Alfred Yates for his reviewing the Civil Defense needs for Dorset. We want to thank Eugene Bond and Arthur Gilbert for their work in getting Dorset Bicentennial activity underway. We want to thank Mrs. Frances Fenn and her Planning Committee for their continual dedicated service to the Town, and likewise to the members of the Board of Adjustment for their fine work. We want to thank the Zoning Administrator, Arthur Pinsonault, for his service to the Town this past year. All these people have served voluntarily and without any compensation.

As we wrote last year, there are still many unsolved problems. But we have managed to keep our costs down as witnessed by our low tax rate compared to other towns. We have an excellent Town Road Crew. We operate within our budget. Our tax appeal cases have been upheld in favor of the Town with very minor exceptions. The courts have upheld our position on untravelled roads, and on putting permanent structures on Town rights of way. But we still do have travelled roads on which work needs to be done and as money and time are available, we will do all we can.

Dorset is a fine place in which to live and we shall do everything we can to make it continue to be so and at a cost we can afford.

Respectfully submitted,

BYRON P. BOWEN  
JAMES W. LEE II  
CALVIN C. SKINNER  
JOHN P. STANNARD

## MINUTES OF THE 1973 TOWN MEETING

Pursuant to the foregoing Warning and notification the legal voters of the Town of Dorset met in Town Meeting at the Dorset Elementary School on the 5th day of March, 1973 at the hour of 7:30 o'clock in the evening of said day to transact the following business:

(Articles 2, 7, 8, 10, 15, 16, 17 & 18 will be voted on By Australian Ballot.)

**Art. 1** To hear reports of Town Officers and take proper action on same.

Mr. Arthur Gilbert made the motion to accept the report. Seconded. After discussion the question was called on the Selectmen's report. It was voted and so carried.

Mrs. Betty Dern made the motion to accept the whole report as presented, seconded, voted and so carried.

**Art. 2.** To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

Moderator, Sydney J. Meachem	had	446 votes
Town Clerk, (3 yrs.) Helen E. O'Donovan	had	513 votes
Town Treasurer, (1 yr.) Margaret J. Harrington	had	484 votes
Selectmen, 3 years —		
Roger E. Rumney	had	278 votes
Henry G. Stone	had	240 votes
Selectmen, 1 year —		
Byron P. Bowen	had	389 votes
John P. Stannard	had	439 votes
Lister, 3 years —		
Charles Erdman	had	400 votes
Lister, 2 years (unexpired term) —		
William F. Gilbert	had	261 votes
Leon Noe	had	244 votes
Auditor, 3 years —		
Alfred LaTorella	had	162 votes
G.V. Menzies Seymour	had	308 votes
First Constable —		
Harold R. Beebe	had	491 votes
Second Constable —		
Nathaniel (Terry) Tyler, III	had	493 votes
Tax Collector —		
Harold R. Beebe	had	488 votes
Town Agent —		
Malcolm E. Cooper	had	473 votes



Grand Juror, East Side

Charles Nichols

had

24 votes

Grand Juror, West Side

Byron Bowen

had

10 votes

**Art. 3** To see if the Town will vote to raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay current expenses of the Town.

Mrs. Betty Lee made the motion to accept this article. It was seconded by Mrs. Huffman, voted and so carried.

**Art. 4** Shall the names of delinquent taxpayers, Poll, Real Estate and Personal, be published in the Town Report if delinquent on Dec. 31.

Mrs. Louise Dumas made the motion to accept this article. It was voted and so carried.

**Art. 5** To determine by vote the date on which taxes will be payable and at what discount, if any, not to exceed four percent, shall be allowed, if paid on or before the specified time, or what interest shall be charged, if any, if delinquent.

Motion made by George Connors to make Property taxes payable Oct. 2nd, with a charge of ½% per month if delinquent, and no discount for payment on time. Poll taxes payable Oct. 2nd. Seconded, and so voted.

Mr. Vernon Squiers made the amendment to the proposal that Poll Taxes be payable Aug. 6th and Property Taxes payable Oct. 5th. Seconded, and so voted.

George Connors made a further amendment that taxes be held until all differences are adjusted when people are going thru channels for appeals on their property taxes. Seconded by Robert Connors. Voted and denied.

Original amendment voted and carried.

**Art. 6** To see what compensation the Town will pay its Officers for the ensuing year.

Mr. Tyler made the motion that this article be deferred and be considered along with Art. 21. Seconded, voted and so carried.

**Art. 7.** To see if the Town will vote an appropriation of \$1,000.00 to the East Dorset Fire District. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

In Favor

495

Opposed

33

**Art. 8** To see if the Town will vote an appropriation of \$1,000.00 to the Dorset Fire District.

In Favor

508

Opposed

25

**Art. 9** To see if the Town will vote an appropriation not to exceed \$200.00 for the observance of Memorial Day to go to McBride Harwood Post No. 44.

Mrs. Louise Dumas made the motion to accept this article. It was seconded by Claude Dern, voted and so carried.

**Art. 10** To see if the Town will vote an appropriation of \$500.00 to the Dorset Village Public Library, Inc. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

In Favor	457	Opposed	79
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**Art. 11** To see if the Town will vote an appropriation not to exceed \$150.00 for the Animal Shelter.

Mrs. Jane Walker moved we adopt this article. It was seconded by Mr. Depew, voted and so carried.

**Art. 12** To see if the Town of Dorset will vote the sum of \$471.00 as its share for the continuation of the work of the Bennington County Regional Planning Commission for one year commencing July 1, 1973.

Mrs. Frances Fenn made the motion to adopt this article. Mr. Grodsky seconded it. Question was called, voted and so carried.

**Art. 13** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Australian Ballot system, to be used for the election of Town Officers.

Calvin Skinner made the motion to accept this article. Miss Emily Allyn seconded it, question called, voted and so carried.

**Art. 14** To see if the Town will vote to elect the Town Treasurer for a term of three years as per T. 24 VSA 711 (3) as amended.

Calvin Skinner made the motion to accept this article. Mr. Stone seconded the article. Voted and so carried.

**Art. 15** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$13,300.00 for the hiring, equipping and expenses of one full time policeman for a 6 month period in 1973. To be voted on by Australian Ballot.

Discussion called for as this is on Australian Ballot no motion can be made.

In Favor	214	Opposed	322
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**Art. 16** To determine by Australian Ballot whether the Town will adopt the by-laws (zoning regulations, including official map) as published in the Manchester Journal of February 1, 1973 and posted at six public places in Dorset, establishing districts within the Town and governing land uses within such districts, pursuant to the provisions of Title 24 Chapter 91, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

In Favor	292	Opposed	246
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**Art. 17** To determine by Australian Ballot whether the Town will spend those funds received through the Federal Revenue Sharing Program (State and Local Assistance Act of 1973) in the amount not to exceed \$24,858 for the acquisition of a Conveyor Screen plant and a 1973 Dump Truck with a 1967 Chevrolet trade-in.

In Favor	339	Opposed	177
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**Art. 18** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to employ a public accountant for a sum not to exceed \$600.00 to aid in the work of the Auditors.

In Favor

397

Opposed

130

**Art. 19** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to take advantage of any State or Federal monies available.

Mrs. Joyce Erdman made the motion to accept this article. Mr. Arthur Gilbert seconded it, voted and so carried.

**Art. 20** To see if the Town will vote to divide equally between highways and schools any National Forest money. Vote required. Mrs. Judith Huffman made the motion to adopt this article. It was seconded by Charles Smith, voted and so carried.

**Art. 21** To act on the 1973 Budget as prepared by the Town Officers. Deferred Item No. 6 was taken up at this time. After much discussion Mrs. Lueth made the motion that the Town Officer's compensation be based on an hourly rate of \$3.00 per hour for all Town Officers except the Town Clerk, whose salary and fees would remain the same as last year. The compensation not to exceed the total compensation as shown in the report by the committee as annual. Seconded.

Mrs. McGrath made the motion to amend the article to use the figures under annual column as a budget item and not a maximum figure. Seconded by Malcolm Starr. Amendment voted and so carried. Original Article 6 voted and so carried.

**Art. 21** Mr. Ted Earle made the motion to adopt the Town Budget with the amendments to reflect the adjustments in the new schedule of compensation of town officers. Seconded by Mr. Phillips. It was voted and so carried.

**Art. 22** To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

Mr. Grodsky made the motion to appoint a committee to study the feasibility of changing the budget to a fiscal year instead of a calendar year. The committee to report at the next town meeting. Voted and so carried.

The Moderator recessed the Town Meeting until 10 a.m. March 6, 1973. to vote on Australian Ballots.

The Ballot boxes were opened at 10 a.m. on March 6th, 1973 by Sydney J. Meachem, Moderator.

Claude Dern gave the following new officers their oath of office.

Sydney J. Meachem, — Town and School District Moderator

Byron Bowen, — Selectman, one year

John P. Stannard, — Selectman, one year

Warren G. Murray, — School Director, one year

Roger Rumney, — Selectman, 3 years

Chester Andrews, — School Director, one year  
John Sheldon, — School Director, one year  
Harold Beebe, — Tax Collector  
H.E. O'Donovan, — Town Clerk & Clerk of School District, 3 years  
Rhys Evans, — School Director, 3 years  
William Gilbert, — Lister, 2 years

Respectfully submitted,  
H.E. O'DONOVAN  
Town Clerk



## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 25, 1973

Pursuant to the foregoing Warning and notification the legal voters of the Town of Dorset met in Town Meeting at the Dorset Elementary School on the 25th day of May, 1973 at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day to transact the following business:

**Art. 1** Shall the Town of Dorset uphold the Zoning By-laws as voted March 6, 1973 by Australian Ballot — Article 16 in the Town Warning which reads as follows:

“To determine by Australian Ballot whether the Town will adopt the by-laws (zoning regulation, including official map) as published in The Manchester Journal of February 1, 1973 and posted at six public places in Dorset, establishing districts within the Town and governing land uses within such districts, pursuant to the provision of Title 24, Chapter 91, Vermont Statutes, Annotated.”

If in favor of these Zoning By-Laws 436

Opposed to these Zoning By-Laws 233

**Art. 2.** Shall the Town of Dorset approve the spending of \$13,500 of Revenue Sharing Funds for hiring, equipping and expenses of one full time policeman for a six month period beginning July 1, 1973? (The Town has approximately \$4,000 left over from Revenue Sharing Funds whose expenditure was authorized at Town Meeting March 6, 1973 for the purchase of a Conveyor Screen Plant and a 1973 Dump Truck and \$9,578 received as its first 1973 Revenue Sharing Check).

In favor of spending \$13,500 Revenue Sharing funds for a full time policeman — 319

Opposed to spending \$13,500 Revenue Sharing funds for a full time policeman — 338

Respectfully submitted,

H.E. O'DONOVAN

Town Clerk

Received May 25, 1973 at 7:30 P.M. and duly recorded.

Attest — H.E. O'Donovan, Town Clerk

674 voted with 17 blanks

# MINUTES OF TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

March 6th, 1973

Pursuant to the foregoing Warning and notification the legal voters of the Dorset Town School District met in Town Meeting at the Dorset Elementary School on the 6th day of March at 9:30 p.m. in the evening to transact the following business.

**Art. 1** To hear the reports of the officers of the Dorset Town School District and to take proper action on the same.

Miss Emily Allyn made the motion that the report be accepted as presented. It was seconded by Mrs. James W. Lee, voted and so carried.

**Art. 2.** To elect Town School District officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

Moderator, Sydney J. Meachem	had	445 votes
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Clerk, three years, Helen E. O'Donovan	had	519 votes
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Treasurer, Margaret J. Harrington	had	497 votes
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School Director, 3 years

Rhys Evans	had	456 votes
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School Director (1 year remainder of 3 year term expiring 1974) —

Clyde W. (Jack) Frost	had	190 votes
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John J. Sheldon	had	315 votes
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School Director, 1 year

Chester D. Andrews	had	309 votes
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Eric C. Duckworth	had	167 votes
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Judith G. Huffman	had	232 votes
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Warren Murray	had	267 votes
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**Art. 3** To see if the Town School District will vote to raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the current expenses of the School District.

Calvin Skinner made the motion to accept this article, seconded by Mr. George Ludlam. The question was called, voted and so carried.

**Art. 4** To determine by vote the date on which Town School District taxes will be payable and what discount, if any, not to exceed four percent, shall be allowed if paid on or before the specified date; and what interest shall be charged, if any, if paid subsequent to the due date. (Note Statutory interest rate  $7\frac{1}{2}\%$  per annum equals .625% per month).

Mr. Chester Andrews made the motion to pay the taxes one half on Oct. 5, 1973 and the second half on March 5th, 1974, no discount and  $\frac{1}{2}\%$  of 1% for delinquent taxes, seconded. Voted and so carried.

**Art. 5** To determine what compensation the Town School District will pay its officers for the ensuing year.



Mrs. Betty Dern made the motion that the School Directors and School Treasurer receive same compensation as voted for Town Officers, \$3.00 an hour, using "Annual Column" for budget purposes. Seconded, voted and so carried.

**Art. 6** To see if the Town School District will appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars to be expended for health services as may be necessary to provide for the improvement of the physical efficiency of school children of indigent parents, with the approval of the town health officer or public health nurse, pursuant to 16 V.S.A. 1386. To be voted upon by Australian Ballot.

In favor	450	Opposed	90
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**Art. 7** To act on the budgets as prepared by the School Directors. Mr. Warren Murray made the motion to accept the budget. Seconded.

Mrs. Gilbert made the motion that the School Directors' salaries be changed to \$1950 to comply with the recommendation of the committee. Seconded by Mr. Grodsky, voted and so carried.

Mrs. Huffman made the motion to change the Treasurer and Book-keeper to \$1420 as a guide line. Seconded by Mr. Ludlam, voted and so carried.

Question on the budget with amendments called, voted and so carried.

**Art. 8** To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

Meeting was recessed until 10 a.m. March 6, 1973 to vote by Australian Ballot.

Meeting was adjourned March 6th, 1973 at 6 p.m. by the Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,  
H.E. O'DONOVAN  
Town Clerk

## TOWN AUDITORS' REPORT

Your auditors were again authorized to engage the services of a public accountant to assist them in the audit of the town records, and to prepare the financial data which follows. The firm of Joseph Saunders, C.P.A., which had done this work in the past, was acquired by Boucher & Marrow, with an office in Manchester Center, and they were employed to undertake the audit for the year 1973.

Financial data for the Town for the calendar year 1973 is shown in this report compared with the proposed budget data for the calendar year 1974. As required by law, the accounting records for the Town School District are maintained on a fiscal year basis (July - June). The available data for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973 as reported by the independent public accountants is shown herein. No satisfactory audit could be performed on the school accounting records maintained after July 1, 1973 because of their incompleteness, but examination has been made of the cash receipts and disbursements by the School Treasurer and these have been reconciled to the bank records. As a matter of information unaudited financial data, compiled by the independent public accountants, comparing the full fiscal year budget for July 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974 with expenditures for the six months of the fiscal year ending December 31, 1973 is also shown.

We are of the opinion that the accompanying Balance Sheet of the Town of Dorset, together with the associated financial statements, present fairly the financial position of the Town as of December 31, 1973 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

AUDREY PALMER

CHARLES HERBERT SIMMONS

G. V. MENZIES SEYMOUR

Auditors



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DORSET, VERMONT

GENTLEMEN:

WE HAVE EXAMINED THE BALANCE SHEETS OF THE GENERAL FUND, TRUST FUNDS, EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND, AND REVENUE SHARING FUND OF THE TOWN OF DORSET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1973 AND THE RELATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN TOWN EQUITY, REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, GENERAL FUND CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, TRUST FUND PRINCIPAL AND INCOME, TAXES RAISED, AND DELINQUENT TAXES FOR THE YEAR THEN ENDED. OUR EXAMINATION WAS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS, AND ACCORDINGLY INCLUDED SUCH TESTS OF THE ACCOUNTING RECORDS AND SUCH OTHER AUDITING PROCEDURES AS WE CONSIDERED NECESSARY IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

THE TOWN OF DORSET PUBLISHES ITS BALANCE SHEET ON THE ACCRUAL BASIS AND THE STATEMENTS OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES ON THE CASH BASIS WHICH IS NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES.

IN OUR OPINION, SUBJECT TO THE DEPARTURE FROM GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES STATED ABOVE, THE ACCOMPANYING BALANCE SHEETS, STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN TOWN EQUITY, REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, TAXES RAISED AND DELINQUENT TAXES PRESENT FAIRLY THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF DORSET AS ENUMERATED ABOVE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1973 AND THE RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR THEN ENDED IN CONFORMITY WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES APPLIED ON A BASIS CONSISTENT WITH THAT OF THE PRIOR YEAR.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

FEBRUARY 14, 1974

TOWN OF DORSET  
GENERAL FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET  
December 31, 1973 and December 31, 1972

Assets

	<u>December 31, 1973</u>	<u>December 31, 1972</u>
Cash in Bank —		
Treasurer's Account	\$ 13	\$ 5,940
Treasurer's Special Account	---	1,947
Cash on Hand —		
Delinquent Tax Collector	<u>---</u>	<u>1,673</u>
Total Cash on Hand & in Banks, Schedule C-1	13	9,560
Delinquent Taxes, —		
Receivable Schedule C-3	\$8,930	\$5,561
Less: Allowance for doubtful collections (10%)	<u>893</u>	<u>556</u>
	<u>\$8,050</u>	<u>\$14,565</u>

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Unremitted Payroll Taxes, Schedule C-1	\$1,602	\$ 1,519
Due to Delinquent Tax Collector	---	16
Advance Collection of Taxes, Schedule C-1	<u>---</u>	<u>1,938</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,602	3,473
Town Equity, Exhibit B	<u>6,448</u>	<u>11,092</u>
	<u>\$8,050</u>	<u>\$14,565</u>



**TOWN OF DORSET**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**December 31, 1973**

**NOTE 1 —** A letter written to the Town Auditors by William K. Marsh, Deputy Commissioner, State of Vermont, Department of Finance, lists a check paid to the Town of Dorset for flood disaster funds in the amount of \$6,563 dated December 21, 1973. The check was not received nor deposited until January 3, 1974 by the town office. Expenditures made by the town for flood disaster work are included in expenditures for 1973 highways and roads.

**NOTE 2 —** Also included in the expenditures for 1973 highways and roads is an expenditure for bridge steel in the amount of \$1,800. The town manager anticipates that the state of Vermont will reimburse eighty percent (80%) of this cost to the Town of Dorset.

**NOTE 3 —** The following new equipment purchased is included in the 1973 expenditures for highways and roads:

Snow Plow Hitch	\$1,040
Two-way Radio (ordered)	<u>645</u>
	<u>\$1,685</u>

**NOTE 4 —** At the 1973 Annual Town Meeting the method of compensating Town Officers was changed from a flat payment plan to an hourly plan whereby town officers are to be paid at the rate of \$3.00 per hour. The annual estimates of total compensation, submitted by a study committee, were voted as budget amounts.

These amounts were changed by the Town Manager after some floor discussion that was not recorded in the minutes of the town meeting. The budget amounts that the recorded minutes indicate are compared below with the changed amount.

	As voted per minutes	As Changed	Increase (Decrease)
Selectmen (Including B.C.A. Duties)	\$2,550	\$1,950A	\$(600)
Town Treasurer	420	450	30
Town Auditors	270	300	30
Constable (Including \$400 for mileage)	3,400	3,000	(400)
Board of Civil Authority (B.C.A.), not including five selectmen & town clerk	<u>1,470</u>	<u>1,670B</u>	<u>200</u>
	<u>\$8,110</u>	<u>\$7,370</u>	<u>\$(740)</u>

A — As changed, does not include Board of Civil Authority salaries.

B.— As changed, includes Selectmen and Town Clerk.

**TOWN OF DORSET**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**  
**December 31, 1973**

NOTE 4 — (Continued) A summary of changes in the 1973 proposed budget as published in the 1972 Town Report is outlined below:

	<b>1972 Published Town Report</b>	<b>1973 Revised Budget</b>	<b>Changes Increase (Decrease)</b>
Selectmen's Salaries	\$ 860	\$ 1,950	\$ 1,090
Town Auditors' Salaries	375	300	(75)
Constables' Salaries	2,000	3,000	1,000
Listers' Salaries	1,500	2,250	750
Town Report	1,120	1,195	75
Town Meeting Expense	1,200	1,500	300
Board of Civil Authority	---	1,670	1,670
Highway and Road	<u>57,613</u>	<u>55,313</u>	<u>(2,300)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$ 64,668</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 67,178</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,510</u></u>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<u><u>\$140,124</u></u>	<u><u>\$142,634</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,510</u></u>



TOWN OF DORSET                      Exhibit B  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN TOWN EQUITY**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 1973**

Town Equity, January 1, 1973		\$11,092
Additions:		
Increase in Accounts Receivable	\$ 3,369	
Decrease in Accounts Payable	<u>16</u>	<u>3,385</u>
		14,477
Deductions:		
Actual Expenditures, Exhibit D	463,200	
Less; Actual Receipts, Exhibit C	<u>455,508</u>	
Excess of Expenditures over Receipts	7,692	
Increase in Allowance for doubtful collections	<u>337</u>	<u>8,029</u>
Town Equity, December 31, 1973, Exhibit A		<u><u>\$ 6,448</u></u>

TOWN OF DORSET  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE

Exhibit C

For the Year Ended December 31, 1973

	<u>Estimated Revenue</u>	<u>Actual Revenue</u>	<u>Excess (Deficiency)</u>
Taxes — General Fund	\$108,992	\$105,154	\$(3,838)
— School District	318,135	318,135	- -
— Old Age Assistance	2,955	2,955	- -
— Delinquent, Prior Years	<u>- -</u>	<u>3,181</u>	<u>3,181</u>
Total Taxes Received, Schedule C-1	430,082	429,425	(657)
State Highway Aid	21,500	20,839	(661)
From School District	- -	1,231	1,231
Litter Levy	- -	1,099	1,099
Licenses	750	957	207
Interest	- -	470	470
Forest Money	300	437	137
Sale of Highway Supplies	- -	400	400
Zoning Income	- -	100	100
Miscellaneous Receipts	<u>- -</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>550</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$452,632</u>	<u>\$455,508</u>	<u>\$ 2,876</u>

Exhibit B

Town Equity, January 1, 1973,	<u>\$ 11,092</u>
Exhibit A	
Total Budget	<u>\$463,724</u>



TOWN OF DORSET Schedule C-1  
**SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 1973**

**General Fund**

Beginning Cash Balance, January 1, 1973, Exhibit A \$ 9,560

Add Receipts

Taxes:

Current Property and Polls, Schedule C-2 \$399,859  
 Delinquent Property and Polls, Schedule C-3 29,566

429,425

Less: Current Tax Paid in prior Year  
 (Advance), Exhibit A 1,938

Total Taxes Collected 427,487

Highway Aid 20,839

License Fees:

Dog License \$ 469  
 Beverage License 488 957

Other Receipts:

Forest Money 437  
 Sale of Highway Supplies 400  
 Interest 470  
 Unremitted Withheld Payroll Taxes,  
 Exhibit A 1,602  
 Litter Levy 1,099  
 Zoning Income 100  
 Reimbursements from School District 1,231  
 Miscellaneous Receipts 550 5,889

Tax Anticipation Loans 60,000

From Revenue Sharing Fund 19,700 534,872

Total Cash Receipts 544,432

Deduct Disbursements

Actual Expenditures, Exhibit D 142,110  
 Tax Anticipation Loans Paid 60,000  
 School District, Exhibit D 318,135  
 Prior Year's Unremitted Withholdings Paid 1,519  
 Exhibit A  
 Revenue Sharing Funds Disbursed 19,700  
 Old Age Assistance Disbursed, Exhibit D 2,955 544,419

Ending Cash Balance, December 31, 1973, Exhibit A \$ 13

Accounted for as Follows:

Cash in Bank — Treasurer Account \$ 13

TOWN OF DORSET  
SCHEDULE OF TAXES RAISED

Schedule C-2

For the Year Ended December 31, 1973

Grand List		
Real Estate and Personal Property		\$191,524
Poll 701 @\$1.00		<u>701</u>
		\$192,225
Taxes Assessed and Billed		
Real Estate and Personal Property		
Taxes Due March 1, 1973		
1972 Grand List \$178,306 @\$.82=	\$146,211	
Taxes due October 5, 1973		
1973 Grand List \$191,524 @\$1.47=	281,540	
Net Increase due to errors and omissions	225	
Farmers' Contracts forfeited	<u>213</u>	
Total Property Taxes Billed		\$428,189
Poll Taxes		
701 @\$2.37	1,662	
Old Age Assistance		
701 @\$5.00	3,505	
Unlisted Polls		
8 @\$7.37	<u>59</u>	
		<u>5,226</u>
Total Taxes Assessed		<u><u>\$433,415</u></u>
Taxes Accounted for:		
Collections, Schedule C-1		
Property	395,828	
Polls	<u>4,031</u>	\$399,859
Delinquent Taxes to Collector, Schedule C-3		
Property	32,362	
Polls	<u>1,194</u>	<u>33,556</u>
Total Taxes Accounted for		<u><u>\$433,415</u></u>



TOWN OF DORSET  
SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT TAXES  
December 31, 1973

Schedule C-3

Tax Years	Balance 12/31/72	To Collector	Collections	Abatements and Corrections	Balance 12/31/73
<u>Property Taxes</u>					
1964	\$ 60.80		\$ 60.80		\$ 35.78
1965	64.85		29.07		6.25
1968	136.25		130.00		42.85
1969	182.74		139.89		103.40
1970	275.08		133.28	\$ 38.40	409.69
1971	1,009.65		486.47	113.49	1,257.29
1972	3,322.38		2,065.09	164.64	6,414.88
1973		\$32,362.16	25,782.64		
	<u>5,051.75</u>	<u>32,362.16</u>	<u>28,827.24</u>	<u>316.53</u>	<u>8,270.14</u>
<u>Poll Taxes and Old Age Assistance</u>					
1967	9.63			10.05	9.63
1968	20.10			7.14	10.05
1969	14.28			7.49	7.14
1970	20.89		5.91	7.17	7.49
1971	43.02		14.34		21.51
1972	400.95		116.64	58.32	225.99
1973		1,193.94	602.23	213.73	377.98
	<u>508.87</u>	<u>1,193.94</u>	<u>739.12</u>	<u>303.90</u>	<u>659.79</u>
Total End of Year	<u>\$5,560.62</u>	<u>\$33,556.10</u>	<u>\$29,566.36</u>	<u>\$620.43</u>	<u>\$8,929.93</u>
	Exhibit A	Schedule C-2	Schedule C-1		Exhibit A

TOWN OF DORSET  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES  
For the Year Ended December 31, 1973

Exhibit D

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Unexpended Balance</u>
Administration:			
Town Manager's Salary	\$ 9,500	\$ 9,864	\$ (364)
Town Manager's Expense	2,080	2,160	(80)
Selectmen's Salaries, Note 4	1,950	937	1,013
Listers' Salaries, Note 4	2,250	1,715	535
Town Clerk's Salary	1,500	1,500	---
Assistant Town Clerk's Salary	250	188	62
Town Treasurer's Salary, Note 4	450	450	---
Town Auditors' Salaries, Note 4	300	375	(75)
Town Office Expense	500	474	26
Listers Expense	880	631	249
Town Clerk's Office Expense	650	734	(84)
Town Office Salaries	2,700	2,258	442
Constables' Salaries, Note 4	3,000	4,790	(1,790)
Outside Auditors	600	800	(200)
Utilities	950	1,102	(152)
Town Manager's Office Supplies	500	694	(194)
Town Reports, Printing & Postage, Note 4	1,195	1,274	(79)
Legal Expense	2,000	2,322	(322)
Town Meeting & Election Expense, Note 4	1,500	451	1,049
Payroll Tax Expense	3,125	3,042	83
County Tax and Assessments	4,900	4,833	67
Computer	600	350	250
Planning Commission and Zoning	1,000	1,102	(102)
Dorset Fire Permits	---	66	(66)
Board of Civil Authority, Note 4	1,670	1,277	393
	<u>44,050</u>	<u>43,389</u>	<u>661</u>

TOWN OF DORSET  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES  
For the Year Ended December 31, 1973

Exhibit D  
(Continued)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Unexpended Balance</u>
Appropriations:			
East Dorset Fire District	1,000	1,000	---
Dorset Fire District	1,000	1,000	---
Dorset Village Library	500	500	---
Memorial Day Observance	200	200	---
Animal Shelter	150	150	---
Regional Planning	<u>471</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>---</u>
	<u>3,321</u>	<u>3,321</u>	
General Services:			
Insurance and Bonds	3,850	3,194	656
Health Insurance	2,000	2,042	(42)
Interest Expense	800	657	143
Town Shed	500	588	(88)
Public Welfare	500	75	425
Highway and Roads, Note 1-4	55,313	55,774	(461)
Equipment Maintenance	12,000	9,775	2,225
Equipment Purchases		1,982	(1,982)
Equipment Replacement Fund	10,000	10,000	---
Exhibit E			
Contingent Fund	300	1,313	(1,013)
Town Dump	6,000	6,000	---
Dispatch System	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>---</u>
	<u>95,263</u>	<u>95,400</u>	<u>(137)</u>
Total General Fund, Schedule C-1	142,634	142,110	524
School District, Schedule C-1	318,135	318,135	---
Old Age Assistance, Schedule C-1	<u>2,955</u>	<u>2,955</u>	<u>---</u>
Total Budget	<u>\$463,724</u>	<u>\$463,200</u>	<u>\$ 524</u>

Exhibit B



TOWN OF DORSET  
EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND  
(FORMERLY DEPRECIATION RESERVE FUND)  
BALANCE SHEET  
December 31, 1973

Exhibit E

Assets

Cash in Savings Account	<u>\$24,851</u>
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Fund Principal

Equipment Replacement Fund Balance	<u>\$24,851</u>
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Schedule E-1

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For the Year Ended December 31, 1973

Cash in Savings Account, January 1, 1973	\$13,938	
Add: Receipts — 1973		
General Fund Appropriation,	\$10,000	
Exhibit D		
Interest	<u>913</u>	<u>10,913</u>
Cash in Savings Account, December 31, 1973		<u>\$24,851</u>

TOWN OF DORSET  
REVENUE SHARING FUND  
BALANCE SHEET  
December 31, 1973

Exhibit F

Assets

Cash in Savings Account	<u>\$36,649</u>
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Fund Principal

Fund Balance	<u>\$36,649</u>
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Schedule F-1

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For the Year Ended December 31, 1973

Cash in Savings Account, January 1, 1973	\$12,701	
Add: Receipts		
Revenue Sharing Funds Received from State of Vermont	\$41,770	
Interest Earned	<u>1,878</u>	<u>43,648</u>
		56,349
Deduct:		
Purchase of Kolberg Screening Plant	13,225	
Purchase of 1973 Ford Dump (1967 Chevrolet Dump Truck Traded)	<u>6,475</u>	<u>19,700</u>
Cash in Savings Account, December 31, 1973		<u>\$36,649</u>

TOWN OF DORSET  
TRUST FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
December 31, 1973

Exhibit G

Assets

Cash in Savings Accounts	\$ 231
Certificate of Deposit	20,000
Marketable Securities, at Cost (Market Value \$2,344)	<u>2,704</u>
	<u>\$22,935</u>

Equity

Trust Fund Equity, Schedule G-1	<u>\$22,935</u>
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Schedule G-1

SCHEDULE OF TRUST FUNDS PRINCIPAL  
For the Year Ended December 31, 1973

	Balance <u>1/1/73</u>	Additions	Dis- bursements	Balance <u>12/31/73</u>
Allen Trust Fund	\$ 100	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 100
Dillon Trust Fund	20,000	--	--	20,000
East Dorset Cemetery Fund	<u>2,704</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>2,704</u>
	<u>\$22,804</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$22,804</u>

SCHEDULE OF TRUST FUNDS INCOME

Allen Trust Fund	\$ 120	\$ 11	\$ --	\$ 131
Dillion Trust Fund	--	863	863	--
East Dorset Cemetery Fund	<u>--</u>	<u>245</u>	<u>245</u>	<u>--</u>
	<u>\$ 120</u>	<u>\$1,119</u>	<u>\$1,108</u>	<u>131</u>
Trust Fund Equity, Exhibit G				<u>\$22,935</u>



# DELINQUENT POLL TAXES

	1967	TOTAL
Goodrich, Gayle S. ....	\$ 9.63	\$ 9.63
	1968	
Goodrich, Gayle S. ....	10.05	10.05
	1969	
Goodrich, Gayle S. ....	7.14	7.14
	1970	
Goodrich, Gayle S. ....	7.49	7.49
	1971	
Goodrich, Gayle S. ....	7.17	
Sprague, Beryle M. ....	7.17	
Sprague, Hiram G. ....	7.17	21.51
	1972	
Baccei, Alan .....	7.29	
Baccei, Betty .....	7.29	
Goodrich, Gayle S. ....	7.29	
Green, David .....	7.29	
Green, Glenda .....	7.29	
Grodsky, Martha .....	7.29	
Hoffman, Deborah .....	7.29	
Mates, Cynthia .....	7.29	
Mattison, Altia .....	7.29	
Mattison, Richard .....	7.29	
Mattison, William .....	7.29	
Osmer, Walter .....	7.29	
Osmer, Karen .....	7.29	
Pinsonault, Zilda .....	7.29	
Pinsonault, Arthur .....	7.29	
Pinsonault, Victoria .....	7.29	
Rubadeau, Hazel .....	7.29	
Rome, Jeffery .....	7.29	
Slavin, Larry Bruce .....	7.29	
Slavin, Lucille .....	7.29	
Sprague, Hiram .....	7.29	
Sprague, Beryle M. ....	7.29	
Stewart, Albert .....	7.29	
Stewart, Pauline, B. ....	7.29	
Stewart, Dennis .....	7.29	
Tarbell, Cynthia .....	7.29	
Tarbell, Frank .....	7.29	
Tarbell, Hazel .....	7.29	
Towsley, Raymond .....	7.29	
Wall, Beriah .....	7.29	
Yrsha, Betty J. ....	<u>7.29</u>	

\$225.99

# Delinquent Poll Taxes — 1973 continued

	1973	TOTAL
Ackerman, Lewis H . . . . .	\$ 7.37	
Barry, Lynn . . . . .	7.37	
Buckley, Barbara M. . . . .	7.37	
Cavanagh, Patricia, A. . . . .	7.37	
Cooper, Thomas C. . . . .	7.37	
Corbin, Johnathan E. . . . .	7.37	
Daggett, David . . . . .	7.37	
Daggett, Betty . . . . .	7.37	
Davis, Hazel . . . . .	7.37	
Dern, Zanah . . . . .	7.37	
Erdman, Richard E. . . . .	7.37	
Erdman, Charles R. IV . . . . .	7.37	
Goodrich, Gayle S. . . . .	7.37	
Goodrich, Nancy . . . . .	7.37	
Griffin, Peter J., Jr. . . . .	7.37	
Hutchins, Susan . . . . .	7.37	
Jameson, Colleen . . . . .	7.37	
Jones, Richard I. . . . .	7.37	
Jones, Verlinda W. (Griffin) . . . . .	7.37	
Ketchem, Johnathan . . . . .	7.37	
Mattison, Altia . . . . .	7.37	
Mattison, Richard . . . . .	7.37	
Mattison, William . . . . .	7.37	
McClure, James . . . . .	7.37	
McWayne, David . . . . .	7.37	
Miller, Whit . . . . .	7.37	
Moffit, Edward H., Jr. . . . .	7.37	
Noe, Leon R. . . . .	2.37	
Noe, Pauline G. . . . .	2.37	
O'Rourke, Edith . . . . .	7.37	
Osmer, Karen . . . . .	7.37	
Osmer, Walter . . . . .	7.37	
Paige, John H. . . . .	7.37	
Pinsonault, Arthur J. . . . .	7.37	
Pinsonault, Victoria R. . . . .	7.37	
Pinsonault, Zilda . . . . .	7.37	
Pinsonault, Danny . . . . .	7.37	
Raff, Nancy . . . . .	7.37	
Rosencrantz, Antonia . . . . .	7.37	
Slavin, Larry Bruce . . . . .	7.37	
Sprague, Beryle, M. . . . .	7.37	
Sprague, Hiram . . . . .	7.37	
Sprague, Ricky B. . . . .	7.37	

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# Delinquent Poll Taxes — 1973 continued

Stewart, Albert R. ....	7.37	
Stewart, Pauline B. ....	7.37	
Stewart, Dennis ....	7.37	
Sweeney, John ....	7.37	
Sweeney, Susan ....	7.37	
Taylor, Beryl ....	2.37	
Taylor, Richard ....	2.37	
Towsley, Raymond H. ....	7.37	
Wertman, Arthur ....	7.37	
Williams, Robert J. ....	7.37	
Yrsha, Betty ....	<u>7.37</u>	
Total Delinquent Poll Taxes		<u>\$659.79</u>



# DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES

1965

Taft, Norma R. .... \$ 35.78

\$ 35.78

1968

Schelle, August (Estate of) ..... \$ 6.25

\$ 6.25

1969

Schelle, August (Estate of) ..... \$ 42.85

\$ 42.85

1970

Schelle, August (Estate of) ..... \$ 50.02

Slavin, Mildred ..... 53.38

\$ 103.40

1971

Moffit, Edward H., Jr. .... \$ 54.06

Schelle, August (Estate of) ..... 43.46

Slavin, Mildred ..... 47.70

✓ Steere, Arthur & Margaret ..... 228.96

Stewart, Albert ..... 35.51

\$ 409.69

March 1972

Gibb, Eleanor ..... \$ 27.20

✓ MacDonald, Richard & Meri C. .. 88.00

Moffit, Edward H., Jr. .... 20.40

Schelle, August (Estate of) ..... 16.40

✓ Steere, Arthur & Margaret ..... 86.40

Stewart, Albert R. .... 13.40

Slavin, Mildred ..... 18.00

\$ 269.80

October 1972

Fish, Mitchell & Cynthia ..... \$ 273.50 (Balance Due)

Gibb, Eleanor ..... 48.28

Gibb, Lourie & Eleanor ..... 45.44 (Parcel D)

Harrison, Martin & Marjorie ... 143.42

✓ MacDonald, Richard C. & Meri C. 156.20

Mann, Olive ..... 30.53

Moffit, Edward H., Jr. .... 34.79

Morrissey, Clarence & Christine .. 4.97

Schelle, August (Estate of) ..... 29.11

Slavin, Mildred ..... 31.95

Sprague, Hiram ..... 14.20

# Delinquent Property Taxes continued —

Stewart, Albert C. ....	22.01
Szirkik, William & Virginia .....	120.43
Tarbell, Frank .....	<u>32.66</u>

\$ 987.49

## March 1973

Couch, Duncan & Ruth .....	\$ 62.32
Duffany, Walter E. ....	18.04
Gibb, Eleanor & Lourie .....	26.24 (Parcel D)
Gibb, Eleanor .....	27.88
Gordon, Les .....	8.20
Mackie, Dr. John .....	2.05
MacDonald, Richard C. & Meri C.	90.20
Mann, Olive .....	17.63
Moffit, Edward H., Jr. ....	20.09
Morgan, Ann J. ....	66.26
Morrissey, Clarence & Christine	2.87
Schelle, August (Estate of) .....	16.81
Slavin, Mildred .....	18.45
Sprague, Hiram .....	8.20
Stewart, Albert C. ....	12.71
Szirkik, William & Virginia ....	300.53
Tarbell, Frank .....	18.86
Williams, J. Malcolm .....	206.23
Williams, J. Malcolm .....	<u>33.62</u>

\$ 957.19

## October 1973

Barton, Samuel G. & Amy V. ..	\$ 124.95
Cameron, Gerald W. & Clara ..	47.78
Couch, Duncan & Ruth .....	111.72
Eggleston, Azzie .....	94.82
Elias, Joseph .....	1.59 (Balance Due)
Feltman, Donald R. & Ella D.	
Beauregard .....	42.63
Fiondella, Susan C. ....	538.76
Gibb, Eleanor .....	49.98
Gibb, Lowrie & Eleanor .....	47.04
Granny's Cyclery .....	38.59
Kelleher, Katherine V. ....	130.83
MacDonald, Richard C. & Meri C.	161.70
Mann, Olive .....	31.61
Mason, George D/B/A Little Car Shop .....	14.70

# Delinquent Property Taxes continued — October, 1973

Moffit, Edward H., Jr. ....	36.02	
Morgan, Ann J. ....	136.71	
Morrissey, Clarence & Christine	5.15	
Mother Myrick Investors .....	14.69	
Pinsonault, Joseph .....	73.50	
Pinsonault, Joseph .....	95.55	
Rath, Rudolph & Florence ....	107.31	
Roberts, Dennis S. & Emma ..	9.56	
Schelle, August (Estate of) .....	30.14	
Slavin, Mildred .....	\$ 33.08	
Sprague, Hiram .....	14.70	
Stewart, Albert C. ....	22.79	
Sweeney, Susan R. ....	60.27	
Swezey Lumber Co. ....	2,950.29	
Tetzlaff, Frederick W. & Elizabeth	61.52	(Balance Due)
		(Glebe Rent)
William S.J. Malcolm .....	<u>369.71</u>	
		\$5,457.69
Total Delinquent Property Taxes		<u><u>\$8,270.14</u></u>



## BOARD OF ABATEMENT

The Board of Abatement met Thursday, December 13, 1973 at 8 p.m. and transacted the following business:

Abated taxes —

### POLL TAXES

#### 1968

Mary Ellen Conkling	(removed from state)	\$10.05
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#### 1969

Mary Ellen Conkling	(removed from state)	7.14
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#### 1970

Mary Ellen Conkling	(removed from state)	7.49
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#### 1971

Mary Ellen Conkling	(removed from state)	7.17
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#### 1972

Mary Ellen Conkling	(removed from state)	7.29
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Robert W. Glover	(removed from state)	7.29
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Christopher Greene	(listed in error)	7.29
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Marjorie Harrison	(removed from state)	7.29
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Martin Harrison	(removed from state)	7.29
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Charles Holden	(listed in error)	7.29
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Richard Kaseler	(listed in error)	7.29
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Dawn Ketchum	(removed from state)	7.29
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#### 1973

Christian Caron	(removed from state)	7.37
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Richard Crafts	(listed in error)	7.37
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Margaret DeSchweinitz	(listed in error)	7.37
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Allan S. DeLand	(listed in error)	7.37
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Elizabeth Finnegan	(listed in error)	7.37
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Lester Golner	(listed in error)	7.37
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Katherine Halsted	(listed in error)	7.37
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William Harvey	(removed from state)	7.37
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Vickie Holden	(removed from state)	7.37
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Helen B. Howard	(listed in error)	7.37
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Katherine LaCroix	(listed in error)	7.37
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Clifford Lasher	(listed in error)	7.37
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Betty Lee	(listed in error)	7.37
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Margaret Mackey	(removed from state)	7.37
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John Mackey	(removed from state)	7.37
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Helen Manley	(listed in error)	7.37
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Francis McBride	(listed in error)	7.37
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John McWalters	(removed from state)	7.37
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Helen Mitchell	(listed in error)	7.37
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Rene Nolet	(listed in error)	7.37
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## Board of Abatement 1973 – continued

Fred Reed	(listed in error)	7.37
Milton Rockwell	(listed in error)	7.37
John Spafford	(removed from state)	7.37
Susan Sprague	(listed in error)	7.37
Jesse Torregrossa, Sr.	(listed in error)	7.37
Teresa Torregrossa	(listed in error)	7.37
Henry Van Loon	(listed in error)	7.37
Alice Vaughan	(listed in error)	7.37
Annie Wright	(listed in error)	7.37

Received December 13, 1973 at 9:30 p.m. and duly recorded.

Attest: HELEN E. O'DONOVAN, Town Clerk

## DORSET FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

Expenses for the year 1973 —

Electricity .....	\$ 192.80
Telephone .....	151.64
Fuel .....	278.41
Insurance .....	1,617.15
Postage .....	12.00
Truck and Supplies .....	195.37
Fireman dues and mutual aid .....	77.75
New Equipment .....	568.65
Misc. upkeep bldg. and building .....	<u>104.00</u>
	\$3,197.77

District No. 1 is grateful to the Town for the appropriation of \$1,000.00 approved by the voters at Town Meeting.

Above are the expenses for the Fire Department paid for by Dorset Fire District No. 1.

FRANCIS W. MONROE  
Treasurer

## EAST DORSET FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT — 1973

The East Dorset Fire Department wishes to thank the Town of Dorset for the \$1,000.00 appropriation. This money was used to make the final payment on the Tanker-Pumper that was purchased in 1967.

We thank you,

WALTER READ, JR.



## McBRIDE-HARWOOD POST 44 REPORT

The appropriation of \$200.00 by the Town of Dorset was used for the Memorial Day expense covering cost of the Arlington Band, flags for the various cemeteries plus several grave markers.

The Post wishes to thank the voters for their kind assistance.

Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN N. STANNARD  
Treasurer

### 1973 LIQUOR LICENSES

5 First Class	@ \$75.00	\$375.00
3 Second Class	@ 37.50	<u>112.50</u>
		\$487.50

### 1973 DOG LICENSES

247 @ \$2.00	Males & Spayed Females	\$494.00
31 @ 6.00	Females	186.00
31 @ 3.00	Males & Spayed Females after April 1st	93.00
3 @ 9.00	Females after April 1st	27.00
<u>5 @ 1.00</u>	Newly acquired after April 1st	<u>5.00</u>
317		\$805.00
317 fees at \$1.00 each		<u>317.00</u>
	To the Town	\$488.00

Of the above, \$19.00 was not received until 1974.

# TOWN OF DORSET

## PROPOSED BUDGET — 1974

	1973	1973	1974
<u>Administrative</u>	Proposed	Expenditures	Proposed Budget
Town Manager Salary	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 9,864.00	\$ 11,500.00
Town Manager Car Allowance	2,080.00	2,160.00	2,080.00
Selectmen's Salaries	1,950.00	936.50	1,050.00
Town Clerk Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Assistant Town Clerk	250.00	188.00	250.00
Town Treasurer Salary	450.00	450.00	450.00
Town Auditors Salaries	300.00	375.00	300.00
Town Office Salary	2,700.00	2,257.70	2,700.00
Outside Auditor	600.00	800.00	800.00
Constables Salaries	3,000.00	2,235.00	2,500.00
Listers Salaries	2,250.00	1,721.25	2,250.00
Town Office Maintenance	500.00	474.27	500.00
Listers Expense & Listers Clerk's Salary	880.00	624.70	690.00
Town Clerk Office Expense	650.00	733.82	650.00
Utilities	950.00	1,102.43	1,300.00
Town Office Expense	500.00	694.49	800.00
Town Report, Printing, Postage	1,195.00	1,274.24	1,325.00
Legal Expense & Professional Serv.	2,000.00	2,322.00	2,500.00
Town Meeting & Election Expense	1,500.00	450.59	1,000.00
Board of Civil Authority	1,670.00	1,277.00	2,400.00
Payroll Tax Expense	3,125.00	3,000.00	3,300.00
County Tax & Assessments	4,900.00	4,832.89	4,700.00
Computer	600.00	350.37	780.00
Planning Commission and Zoning Expense	1,000.00	1,101.84	1,500.00
Sub-Total	\$ 44,050.00	\$ 40,726.09	\$ 46,825.00
<u>Appropriations</u>			
East Dorset Fire District	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Dorset Fire District	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Dorset Village Public Library	500.00	500.00	500.00
Observance of Memorial Day and Flags	200.00	200.00	200.00
Animal Shelter	150.00	150.00	150.00
Regional Planning Commission	471.00	471.00	496.00
	\$ 3,321.00	\$ 3,321.00	\$ 3,346.00

# Proposed Budget — continued

	1973	1973	1974
<u>General Services</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>
Insurance & Bonds	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 3,193.60	\$ 3,600.00
Health Insurance	2,000.00	2,041.80	2,400.00
Interest Expense	800.00	657.13	800.00
Town Shed	500.00	588.10	700.00
Public Welfare	500.00	75.00	200.00
Highways & Roads	55,313.00	55,773.51	58,285.00
Equipment Maintenance	12,000.00	11,524.11	12,000.00
Equipment Purchases		233.25	300.00
Depreciation Reserve Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Contingent Fund	300.00	1,313.16	300.00
Town Dump	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Dispatch System	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Sub-totals	<u>\$ 95,263.00</u>	<u>\$ 95,399.66</u>	<u>\$ 98,585.00</u>
Grand Totals	<u>\$142,634.00</u>	<u>\$139,446.75</u>	<u>\$148,756.00</u>

## ESTIMATED INCOME

	Est. '73	Rec'd '73	Est. '74
State Aid Highways	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 20,838.64	\$ 18,560.00
Beer Licenses	400.00	487.50	485.00
Dog Licenses	350.00	469.00	450.00
Forest Monies	300.00	436.96	400.00
Zoning Income		100.00	150.00
School District		1,203.99	1,000.00
Totals	<u>\$ 22,550.00</u>	<u>\$ 23,536.09</u>	<u>\$ 21,045.00</u>

	1973		1974
Total Budget	\$142,634.00		\$148,756.00
		minus	
Estimated Income	\$ 22,550.00		\$ 21,045.00
Surplus	<u>11,091.79</u>		<u>8,880.08</u>
	\$ 33,641.79		\$ 29,925.08

## Total to be raised by taxes

1973	1974
\$108,992.21	\$118,830.92

The 1973 Proposed Budget figures include amendments approved at the March, 1973 Town Meeting.

The Grand Total 1973 expenditure of \$139,446.75 does not correspond with the comparative figure in Exhibit D principally by reason of the exclusion of constables' equipment and travel expense.



**DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET  
1974 - 1975**

		<u>Budget 73-74</u>	<u>Budget 74-75</u>
<b><u>Administration (100)</u></b>			
110a	Board of School Directors-Salaries \$	1,950.00	\$ 1,500.00
110c	Treasurer	1,710.00	600.00
130a	VSSDA	180.00	180.00
130c	Treasurer's Office	75.00	100.00
130g	Superintendent's Office	11,063.20	12,057.21
130p	Printing and Publishing	200.00	225.00
130q	Misc. Expense for Administration	600.00	1,000.00
	<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$ 15,778.20</b>	<b>\$ 15,662.21</b>
<b><u>Instruction (200)</u></b>			
211-213	Salaries for Instruction	\$101,000.00	\$116,900.00
216	Aides	7,000.00	8,965.25
220	Textbooks	850.00	850.00
230a	Library Books	1,100.00	1,100.00
230b	Periodicals & Newspapers	200.00	200.00
230c	Audio-Visual Materials	1,000.00	1,500.00
230d	Other Library Expenses	200.00	200.00
230e	Instructional Materials	200.00	400.00
240	Teaching Supplies	3,600.00	3,600.00
250a	Office Supplies	150.00	150.00
250b	Travel Expense for Instruction	300.00	300.00
250c	Misc. Expense (Rental, Dues, etc.)	900.00	300.00
	<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>\$116,500.00</b>	<b>\$134,465.25</b>
<b><u>Health Services (400)</u></b>			
420c	Health Services	\$ 650.00	\$ 1,575.00
	<b>Total Health Services</b>	<b>\$ 650.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,575.00</b>
<b><u>Pupil Transportation Services (500)</u></b>			
510b	Bus Drivers	\$ 7,890.00	\$ 15,750.00
520	Contracted Services	12,384.00	1,500.00
540	Bus Insurance	585.00	1,200.00
560a	Gasoline	1,100.00	3,100.00
560c	Tires	500.00	520.00
560g	Maintenance & Repair	1,000.00	1,000.00
560i	Registration & Miscellaneous	40.00	25.00
	<b>Total Pupil Transportation</b>	<b>\$ 23,499.00</b>	<b>\$ 23,095.00</b>

		<b>Budget 73 - 74</b>	<b>Budget 74 - 75</b>
<b><u>Plant Operation (600)</u></b>			
610b	Custodial Services	\$ 8,590.00	\$ 11,957.00
620	Contracted Services	300.00	300.00
630	Heat	1,800.00	2,500.00
640b	Electricity	2,800.00	3,000.00
640d	Telephone	450.00	475.00
650a	Custodial Supplies	1,900.00	2,100.00
650d	Other Supplies	100.00	100.00
	<b>Total Plant Operation</b>	<b>\$ 15,940.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,432.00</b>
<b><u>Plant Maintenance (700)</u></b>			
720a	Grounds	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
720b	Buildings	2,000.00	2,000.00
720c	Equipment & Repair	150.00	150.00
730b	Replacement, Equip., Non-Instruc.	200.00	200.00
740a	Other Expenses, Grounds	150.00	400.00
740b	Other Expenses, Buildings	35.00	750.00
740c	Other Expenses, Repairs & Equip.	155.00	155.00
	<b>Total Plant Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 2,740.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,905.00</b>
<b><u>Fixed Charges (800)</u></b>			
810b	Social Security	\$ 7,282.08	\$ 8,526.00
820a	Property Insurance	1,900.00	2,000.00
820b	Employee Insurance	5,000.00	6,500.00
820d	Fidelity Bond Premiums	40.00	40.00
840	Interest on Current Loan	300.00	650.00
	<b>Total Fixed Charges</b>	<b>\$ 14,522.08</b>	<b>\$ 17,716.00</b>
<b><u>Food Services (900)</u></b>			
920	Other Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
	<b>Total Food Services</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>
<b><u>Student Body Activities (1000)</u></b>			
1020p	Other Expenses	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
	<b>Total Student Body Activities</b>	<b>\$ 400.00</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b><u>Capital Outlay (1200)</u></b>			
1210b	Sites	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
1210c	Improvement to Sites	100.00	100.00
1220a	Professional Services	250.00	- - - -

	Budget 73-74	Budget 73-74
<b><u>Capital Outlay continued</u></b>		
1220c Remodeling	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,650.00
1230c Equipment for Instruction	1,732.00	2,050.00
1230g Equipment for Plant Maintenance	350.00	-----
1230f Equipment for Plant Operation	415.00	600.00
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>	<b>\$ 6,347.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,600.00</b>
<b><u>Debt Service (1300)</u></b>		
1310a Bonds	\$ 13,750.00	\$ 13,750.00
1320a Interest on Bonds	3,740.00	3,043.50
1330 Bus Replacement Fund	4,000.00	8,000.00
<b>Total Debt Service</b>	<b>\$ 21,490.00</b>	<b>\$ 24,793.50</b>
<b><u>Outgoing Transfer Accounts (1400)</u></b>		
1430a Tuition - Private in State	\$127,500.00	\$150,000.00
1430a Tuition - Other Private Schools	8,100.00	5,600.00
1440a Tuition - Special Education	1,600.00	1,600.00
1440b Transportation - Special Education	300.00	300.00
<b>Total Outgoing Transfer Accounts</b>	<b>\$137,500.00</b>	<b>\$157,500.00</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$357,366.28</b>	<b>\$408,143.96</b>



# DORSET SCHOOL DIRECTORS' BUDGET SUMMARY

For 1974 - 1975

	Budget <u>'73 - '74</u>	Budget <u>'74 - 75</u>
Administration	\$ 15,778.20	\$ 15,662.21
Instruction	116,500.00	134,465.25
Health Services	650.00	1,575.00
Pupil Transportation	23,499.00	23,095.00
Plant Operation	15,940.00	20,432.00
Plant Maintenance	2,740.00	3,905.00
Fixed Charges	14,522.08	17,716.00
Food Services	2,000.00	2,000.00
Student Body Activities	400.00	400.00
Capital Outlay	6,347.00	6,600.00
Debt Service	21,490.00	24,793.50
Outgoing Transfer Accounts	<u>137,500.00</u>	<u>157,500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$357,366.28	\$408,143.96

## ESTIMATED INCOME:

Tuition (3 students)	\$	\$ 2,925.00
State assumption of debt service		3,598.00
Glebe rent		100.00
Forest monies		300.00
Property rent		50.00
Interest		<u>187.50</u>
		\$ 7,160.50
Amount to be raised by taxes		\$400,983.46







## **DORSET CIVIL DEFENSE**

### **Financial Report**

Factory Point National Bank Account number 1028395

Deposit Jan. 17, 1969	\$639.01
Interest to date	<u>155.31</u>
	\$794.32

VERNON C. SQUIERS,  
Town Manager

## **DORSET POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### **Financial Report**

Account number 1045462 Factory Point National Bank:

Beginning Balance 1973	\$1,473.86
Fines collected 1973	1,755.00*
Interest 1973	<u>91.63</u>
Total Balance on Hand, December 31, 1973	\$3,320.49

\*The above figure is derived from fines from traffic violations in Dorset enforced by our first and second Constables.

VERNON C. SQUIERS,  
Town Manager

**INVENTORY OF TOWN EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY  
1973**

- 1 — 1971 Ford Dump Truck
- 1 — 1970 International Truck
- 1 — 1972 Ford Dump Truck
- 1 — 1970 Viking Snow Plow
- 1 — 1971 Viking Snow Plow
- 1 — 1969 Austin-Western Grader, Pacer 300  
1 Wing, 1 Bulldozer Blade, 1 V-Plow and 1 Reversible  
Snow Plow Blade
- 1 — Trojan 4-wheel drive loader 1964
- 1 — Ford Loader and Bucket — 1958
- 1 — 4-wheel Drive Dodge Power Wagon — 1969
- 1 — Plow and Frame for Dodge Power Wagon
- 1 — 1964 Good Roads Plow
- 1 — V-Truck Plow
- 3 — Truck Sanders
- 1 — York Rake
- 1 — Chloride Spreader
- 1 — Chain Saw new 1968
- 1 — Chain Saw new 1971
- 1 — Brush Saw
- 1 — Air Compressor and Grease Gun
- 1 — Welder
- 1 — Bench Grinder
- 1 — 58 Drill
- 1 — Steam Cleaner
- 1 — Tractor Mower with hydraulic lift, new 1967
- 1 — Kolberg Screen Plant, new 1973
- 1 — Hale Model 2SFAB23 Portable Pump #52065, new 1972
- 1 — Used Portable Generator 2.5 KW #86C900266
- 6 Mobile Radios and 1 Base Station with ground plane antenna and  
50 foot Extension Mast.
- 2 Mobile Radios on Vermont State Police Communication System.  
1 Portable Unit.
- Miscellaneous small hand tools necessary for minor repairs and up-  
keep, chains, bars, shovels and stone forks necessary to do the job.

VERNON C. SQUIERS,  
Town Manager

## REPORT OF GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST — 1973

The National Forest owns and manages 1450 acres, about 5% of the land, in the Town of Dorset. National Forest lands are managed to provide a great variety of activities, uses and forest products, while at the same time assuring that these activities do not damage the forest environment. Resources of the forest are renewable, and, with proper attention, will continue to serve future generations as well as our own. These lands are open to you for camping, fishing, hiking, picnicking, snowmobiling, hunting, cross-country skiing and many other pursuits. The same forest land produces timber for lumber and paper, habitat for all kinds of birds, fishes and animals, clean water, and pleasing scenery.

In 1973 several important projects were taking place across the National Forest. The energy crisis spurred quite an increase in the use of wood for fuel. Free use permits granted to cut firewood were ten times greater than last year. Nine permits were issued to Dorset residents. Under provisions of the National Scenic Trails Act, the National Forest, working with 40 different landowners in southern Vermont, is purchasing rights-of-ways so as to administer the Appalachian Trail where it crosses private lands and to protect its users. The harvest of red spruce timber was increased in order to salvage trees dying from a root disease. Several illegal dumps and junk cars were cleaned up and taken to sanitary landfills.

In 1973, receipts of the Green Mountain National Forest totaled almost \$600,000 from sale of timber, permit fees from 6 ski areas and other use fees. Approximately 25% of these receipts is returned to local towns for support of schools and roads. Dorset's share was \$873.92 or \$0.60 per acre.

If you have any questions or would like more information about your National Forest, please contact the District Ranger, Manchester Ranger District, Manchester Center, Vermont 05255.

NORMAN G. ARSENEAULT  
District Ranger

## MARRIAGES 1973

<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>
✓ Theodore H. Booth	Youngstown, N.Y.	Alice H. Agnew	Dorset	Feb. 10, 1973	Manchester Ctr., Vt.
Hiland E. Clough	Dorset	Brenda Lee Waite	Pawlet	Feb. 14, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Jon Sherwood Barrett	Dorset	Carol Eliazabeth Polk	Londonderry	March 31, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Samuel David Keeler	Danby	Beverly Ann Duffany	Dorset	April 21, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Ward B. Hinkle	New Canaan Conn.	Cynthia A. Foote	Dorset	June 9, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Christopher Swezey, IV	Manchester	Christine Morrissey	Dorset	June 16, 1973	Manchester, Vt.
Clay S. Bartlett	Dorset	Colleen A. Brahan	Dorset	July 8, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Richard L. Manley	Dorset	Mary Rita Candon	Dorset	July 8, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Ronald Paul Greene	Dorset	Arlene S. Taft	Manchester	July 21, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Stephen M. Hazelton	Dorset	Ellen B. Hughes	Dorset	Aug. 11, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Graham Richard Due	Bedford, N.Y.	Susan Baldwin Cartwright	Bedford, N.Y.	Oct. 20, 1973	Dorset, Vt.
Arthur G. Mason	Dorset	Donna Mason Grover	Dorset	Nov. 24, 1973	Manchester, Vt.
✓ Raymond H. Towsley,					
Sr.	Dorset	Electa Carlson	Wallingford	Dec. 15, 1973	East Dorset, Vt.



# DEATHS 1973

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Date</u>
John Frederic Hall	M	55	Jan. 17, 1973
Guy A. Gammon	M	81	Mar. 10, 1973
Walter Sherman Hitchcock	M	62	Mar. 30, 1973
Thyra M. Erk	F	70	Apr. 25, 1973
John E. Fay	M	65	Apr. 28, 1973
Edward J. Slanetz	M	75	May 10, 1973
Cordia N. West	F	83	June 23, 1973
Ola Allison Glenn	F	79	June 24, 1973
Gertrude M. Connors	F	81	July 21, 1973
Robert D. Brophy	M	66	Sept. 2, 1973
Adah W. Towsley	F	72	Oct. 9, 1973
Fred V. Sheldon	M	86	Oct. 20, 1973
David L. Belland	M	80	Oct. 31, 1973
Margaret W. Steere	F	60	Nov. 24, 1973
Cordelia Crane deSchweinitz	F	87	Dec. 6, 1973
Margaret C. Bertram	F	78	Dec. 8, 1973

# BIRTHS 1973

<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Julie Marie Bowen	F	Jan. 10, 1973	Carroll B. Bowen	Mary Lou Campney
Tanya Sheridan May	F	Jan. 16, 1973	James Sheridan May	Barbara Anne Vanneck
Christine Ann Gormaley	F	March 23, 1973	Thomas J. Gormaley	Carolyn J. Goodliffe
Amy Sue Hart	F	June 14, 1973	Montie H. Hart	Carol Ellen Baker
Sean Michael Hand	M	July 12, 1973	Peter Francis Hand	Mary Elizabeth McBride
Arial Leah Holton	F	July 26, 1973	Lynn Gary Holton	Sharon L. Krenz
Rebecca Jeanette Bovey	F	Oct. 15, 1973	Fred D. Bovey	Karen Cook
Corey Alexander Osmer	M	Dec. 14, 1973	Walter Herbert Osmer	Karen A. Creaser
Angela Kirstin D'Eredita	F	Dec. 14, 1973	Cosmo Edward D'Eredita	Gertrude M. Walsh

# TOWN OF DORSET NURSING ASSOCIATION, INC.

## Report for 1973

During the year 1973 the Dorset Nursing Association, a Medicare certified Home Health Agency, has provided the following services to the residents of the Town of Dorset:

Nursing visits for disease and disability	585
Physical therapy visits	177
Maternal and child health visits	6

The Well Child clinics held at the United Church of Dorset and East Rupert have been increasingly well attended. The services provided have been recently expanded and now include physical examination, blood pressure reading, blood test for anemia, urine test, visual and hearing screening, as well as immunizations and an evaluation of the child's growth and development. Appointments are now necessary to attend the Well-child clinics and can be made by calling the Dorset Nursing Association office — 867-4409. A Public Health Nurse from the Vermont Department of Health usually attends.

The Health program at the Dorset Elementary School is under the supervision of the Dorset Nursing Association and is implemented by a nurse spending two hours daily at the school.

Services provided include:

Annual visual and hearing screening for all students, retests and referrals with follow-up. Funds are available when needed to assist.

Neurological screening examinations with referral and follow-up as indicated.

Maintaining of health records on each child.

Health policies.

Arrangement for in-service education for teaching staff concerning first aid administration and other health related subjects.

Participation in health related student education.

Control of communicable disease by implementation of health policies and throat culture program and immunization clinics.

Pre-school physical examinations and related screening tests.

Physical examinations for 5th graders.

"Brush-In" for grades 1-2-3 and a "Floss-In" for grades 4-5-6 and dental screening for K-8 grades by a registered dental hygienist from the Department of Health.

Provision of funds for dental care for children who are in need of assistance.

Parental contact by letter, telephone, school conference or home visit.

## Nursing Association — continued

The programs this year were financed by private contribution from the residents of Dorset, memorial gifts, Medicare and Medicaid and other insurances, income from the endowment fund, Agency of Human Service funds and \$1,100.00 from the Town of Dorset School District.

An annual Diabetes, Glaucoma, Blood Pressure screening clinic for adults was held in Manchester in conjunction with the Manchester Health Services and the Vermont Department of Health.

The staff of the Dorset Nursing Association during the year of 1973 is as follows:

Martha Bowen,	RN,	Director-Supervisor
Marcia Russo,	RN,	Staff Nurse
Susan Palmer,	RN,	Staff Nurse
Merriom Spofford	LPN,	Staff Nurse
Verlinda Griffin,		Registered physical therapist
Sharon Duranty,		Registered Speech therapist
		(resigned in June, 1973 due to relocation of work)

Members of the staff attend educational workshops offered by various organizations (Ex. Vt. Heart Association) and educational facilities (Ex. U.V.M.) as well as in-service provided by the agency.

The need for occupational therapy and homemaker services is presently being studied, and it is hoped that in the near future these services will be available to Dorset residents.

Plans are under way for the purchase of a facility from which the Dorset Nursing Association can operate more effectively. Since its organization in 1966, the office has been maintained in the Health room of the Dorset Elementary School. We deeply appreciate the School Board's generosity and the cooperation of the principal and all others who have been helpful to us. In January of 1974 we plan to move temporarily to the United Church of Dorset and East Rupert where we will have more space from which to operate.

We appreciate the support and cooperation of the residents of Dorset, and in anticipation of continued support plan to carry out our programs for health care in 1974.

Respectfully submitted,

A.T. BALDWIN

President

MARTHA BOWEN, R.N.  
Director-Supervisor



## LIBRARY REPORT

### The Dorset Village Public Library Association, Inc.

The Library acknowledges with thanks the appropriation by the Town of \$500.00 for assistance in the cost of operation. This sum represented five and two-tenths per cent (5.2%) of our operating budget for the year 1973. Annual public donations continue to be our largest source of revenue, followed by endowment income and earnings from the biennial Antique Fair.

During the past year the Library loaned 14,706 books, a new record. A total of 748 new books were added to our shelves. In addition, the Library obtains books of special but limited interest from other libraries in the State for those members of the community who need them. Conversely, we also loan books to other libraries.

It is a source of satisfaction that the children of the area continue to make extensive use of the facilities provided for them, especially during the summer months.

EDWIN LEFEVRE, JR.

President

## TOWN REPORT OF DORSET PLANNING COMMISSION AND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Planning Commission wishes to thank the Dorset voters for their expression of confidence in the By-Laws drawn up by the Planning Commission after many months of effort and voted by the Town in March and again in May 1973.

Mr. John Simson and Mr. Greg Burke of the Bennington County Regional Commission have continued to be a source of advice and encouragement and very concrete help. We feel that the Planning Commission and the Town are receiving invaluable assistance through our support of the Regional Commission.

When variances have been needed to prevent hardship due to strict interpretation, where such variances may lawfully be approved, the Board of Adjustment has endeavored to serve with fairness and a sense of responsibility.

The Zoning Administrator reports 22 applications approved. There were 4 Site Plan hearings by the Planning Commission. The Board of Adjustment reports 7 hearings for variances, 2 hearings for conditional uses, and 3 hearings in connection with an appeal — for a total of 12 hearings.

An ideal plan for the Town takes time to evolve and the process will continue. During the summer of 1974 a detailed mapping and review with the cooperation of the Bennington County Regional Planning Commission is to be undertaken. This survey will enable the Planning Commission to clarify the Town Map and delineate boundaries of districts more clearly.

We wish to express appreciation for the patience shown our efforts in resolving land use questions, and for the cooperation extended the Zoning Administrator and the members of the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment in observing the Town Plan and By-Laws.

### Board of Adjustment

George Connors, Chairman  
Edwin Lefevre, Jr., Vice Chairman  
Alexander T. Baldwin  
Lynn Holton  
Betty S. Jones  
Alfred LaTorella  
Kathleen K. Ludlam  
Harry C. Sheldon  
Calvin C. Skinner

### Planning Commission

Frances B. Fenn, Chairman  
William Barrows  
George Connors  
Ernest Edgerton  
Kathleen K. Ludlam  
Joseph G. Ringwalt, Jr.  
Harry C. Sheldon

### Zoning Administrator

Arthur Pinsonault

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BENNINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL COMMISSION

During the past year the BCRC has provided technical and legal advice to the very busy Dorset Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. As one of the leading towns in the region in terms of subdivision and housing starts, the matter of good administration of zoning is very important to Dorset. The BCRC legal services program provided the counsel of Attorney Benjamin Partridge, Jr. to the Board of Adjustment. This service will be available again in the coming year.

The BCRC staff assisted the Planning Commission and selectmen with the preparation and presentation of amendments to the zoning by-law designed to clarify several points that have caused confusion among persons applying for permits.

The BCRC provided considerable staff support to the Medical Care Center steering committee appointed by the selectmen of the Northshire towns including Dorset. A report was prepared in part by the BCRC staff and circulated widely by the *Manchester Journal*. The commission staff is also handling the funds and mailings for the center membership drive.

With the aid of the senior class students from Burr & Burton a survey of solid waste disposal in Dorset and Manchester was conducted by the BCRC. It will indicate the economic potential for expanded recycling and will provide an accurate assessment of space remaining in the Manchester landfill. The study will make some recommendations to the Town for future action to insure that a trash disposal area continues to be available to Dorset.

With a State Land Use Plan adopted by the 1974 Legislature there may be a need for further work on the Dorset town plan in order to maintain full local control over land use. The BCRC will do whatever is necessary to help the Town Planning commission with that task in the coming year.

EDWIN LEFEVRE, JR.  
RUSSELL WESTON  
ALEXANDER BALDWIN  
Town Representatives

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
BENNINGTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

According to the 1973 records at the Animal Shelter we handled 23 dogs and 21 cats. This shows an increase in dogs but a decrease in cats.

If you have lost an animal please call us as it may have been brought to the Shelter. Also, please spay your animals whenever possible. We were only able to find homes for about one third of the animals brought to us.

Thanking you for your continued support.

KATHERINE KLEIN HARDING  
President



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS TO THE TOWN OF DORSET — 1973 - 1974

This is my second annual report to the citizens of Dorset.

During the past year, the addition to the Dorset Elementary School was completed and occupied when school opened. This needed space has made it possible to operate the Kindergarten program within the school and also permitted the remodeling of a former classroom in order to expand library facilities. The entire educational program at the school has benefited from these actions.

During the summer months it was determined that we would be able to transport the children with existing buses, plus one additional bus, by rearranging the schedules. We have been able to transport all the children with these vehicles even though enrollment increased this year.

Committees formed of staff members throughout the Supervisory Union are continuing to work on Curriculum Committees in order to develop objectives for the entire educational program.

Efforts are also underway on a district-wide basis in order to investigate and eventually develop a plan to provide for a local program for certification of teachers.

The Lunch Program has once again encountered difficulties. At this time, alternatives are being investigated so that lunches can once again be available for the children at noontime.

Through the cooperation of Burr and Burton, Foreign Language instruction is now being offered to eighth grade students. As a result, students will be better prepared for future instruction in languages at the secondary level. We greatly appreciate this effort by Burr and Burton. Also, Instrumental Music was added to our curriculum this year. We share a music teacher with Burr and Burton so each school has a half time music program.

Speech Therapy and Consulting Teacher services have been available to the school through the Bennington-Rutland Supervisory Union. Through these programs, children with speech problems or those who have learning problems receive essential services to help them overcome their handicaps. These services are partially federally funded through Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Additionally, Title I has funded one-half a teacher aide at the school during the past year.

Title II funds have once again provided for the purchase of needed library and audio-visual materials.

## Superintendents' Report — continued

I wish to express our appreciation to the Dorset Aiders for their efforts which made it possible to obtain needed equipment for the school and playground, and also for their assistance in the lunch program.

We are indeed fortunate to have an outstanding faculty. Their efforts are especially appreciated.

The Board of School Directors are to be commended for their efforts and concern for the education of your children. Their dedication is outstanding.

We all appreciate the interest and support of the citizens of Dorset and we shall continue to exert every professional effort towards providing for the best possible education of all our children.

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD F. HOULIHAN  
Superintendent of Schools

### ENROLLMENT:

#### Dorset Elementary School:

grade K	—	21
grade 1	—	22
grade 2	—	17
grade 3	—	24
grade 4	—	24
grade 5	—	22
grade 6	—	25
grade 7	—	28
grade 8	—	<u>28</u>

TOTAL     211

Granville High School:     1

Other Private Schools:     4

Special Education:         2

#### Burr and Burton Seminary:

grade 9	—	25
grade 10	—	18
grade 11	—	28
grade 12	—	<u>24</u>
TOTAL		95

## DORSET SCHOOL DIRECTORS REPORT

The Dorset School Directors were required to be especially alert this year to new conditions. The construction of the addition and the enlargement of the library required supervisory time in excess of ordinary requirements. In this they were assisted with conscientious care by William McWayne whom they had appointed clerk of the works. The John A. Russell Corporation began construction of the addition on March 28th ahead of schedule. Despite delayed deliveries of materials and fixtures due to factors beyond the contractor's control, the addition was in satisfactory shape for use by the second and third grades on the opening day of school in September. All contracted work has been completed and properly authorized application for the final sums for construction aid have been sent to the State Department of Education. The addition has already proved its value both as added space and as a facility for studying the value of the so-called open classrooms.

Six months of operation have disclosed but a very few deficiencies in the planning and equipment of the new addition. Sums for remedying the deficiencies have been included in the budget for fiscal 1974-75.

The School Directors were faced with some difficult decisions in respect to the purchase and use of school busses because of increased school population. What appeared in April to be a need for five large capacity school busses to transport 306 pupils to elementary and secondary schools, required a hard look at the bus routings. With essential aid from Superintendent Houlihan, a bus routing was devised which made use of only three 66 passenger busses during fiscal 1973-74. Nevertheless, the Board was forced to buy two busses, one as a replacement and one as an additional bus, and therefore exceeding the bus sinking fund. If the population continues to grow as is anticipated, a fourth bus will be needed next year.

The School Directors would like to thank Mr. Edward Houlihan, Superintendent, Mrs. Helen Mach, Principal and the faculty of the Dorset Elementary School for their devotion to the education of Dorset's children. They would also like to thank the Dorset Aiders for the many improvements the Aiders have sponsored or purchased for the school in the last year. Thanks goes also to the citizens of Dorset whose sympathetic attitude has made the improved Dorset Elementary School possible.

RHYS EVANS                      WARREN MURRAY  
CHESTER ANDREWS      BARBARA SMITH  
JOHN SHELDON

The Dorset School Directors



## MOUNT LAUREL SCHOOL REPORT

1973

The trustees of Mt. Laurel are pleased to report another progressive year for the school, now in its 15th year of operations.

There are 37 students enrolled for the '73-'74 school year, 11 from Danby, 9 from Pawlet, 6 from Arlington, 5 from Manchester, 3 from Rupert, 2 from Sunderland, and 1 from Dorset. For study and training they are grouped as follows: ages 6-8, thirteen students; ages 9-12, eleven students and ages over 12 years, thirteen.

The excellent full time staff includes three professional teachers and two teacher's aides responsible for classroom instruction; plus a practical nurse, custodian and bus driver. There are also four part-time para-professional instructors who conduct very important home economics, work-shop, music and speech therapy activities. In addition, there are three volunteer workers who assist in the various educational and training programs.

Supplementing the full academic program are many special events of considerable importance, some of which are new experiences for most of the children. They include: annual Christmas Party with record attendance of over 200 students, staff, parents, and community representatives; various field trips to places of interest, picnics, sports and gardening activities. The summer camping program now in its 7th year, is a highlight for the students, eager to return the next time.

Mt. Laurel's basic program as a "special school", is designed over-all to prepare each student mentally and physically to be as self-sufficient as possible for later years. Essential therefore, are such features as the vocational and work-shop training required of older pupils, the health program for all, and the six week summer school classes providing both educational and recreational activities.

Each month during the school year, teams of trustees inspect the physical facilities and the educational and training programs of Mt. Laurel to maintain their continued high quality, effectiveness, and safety. Last year, under the supervision of the Vermont State Education Department, outside professional people were utilized to provide a complete evaluation of the school and its entire program, whose recommendations are now being implemented. The trustees and the staff are gratified with the very high rating of Mt. Laurel resulting from this professional evaluation, and express their continuing appreciation to the many people who supported the school in various ways during 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. BIXLER

Secretary



## 1973 MANCHESTER RESCUE SQUAD, INC. REPORT

The Manchester Rescue Squad ended the year 1973 having responded to 355 calls, reflecting an increase of 22% over the 1972 total of 273 calls. The squad members donated 1,394 man hours of their time to travel a distance of 16,769 miles. Of these 355 calls, 174 were classified as emergencies, 148 were either patient transfer or emergency transportation, and the remaining 33 were miscellaneous in nature covering fires and public functions. 163 trips were made to Putnam Memorial Hospital in Bennington and 77 were made to the Rutland Hospital. The membership answered 218 calls in town, 64 in the various Dorset areas, 10 in Winhall, 7 in Danby, and the remainder in other nearby locations.

More intensive and more comprehensive training was one of the goals that we achieved last year. Among the members to become certified Emergency Medical Technicians last year were Ben Beers, Ray Carrano, Tom McGibney, Jim Mithoefer, Tom Molloy, Hugh Putnam, Lea Talcott, Russ Taxter, Ronnie Wilcox, and Stan Zecher. These members completed a difficult 80 hour course given at the Putnam Memorial Hospital, and raised our number of Vermont Certified Emergency Medical Technicians to 13. Russ Taxter, Lea Talcott and Jim Mithoefer became certified Red Cross Training Instructors and Mike Colgan, Jim Mithoefer, Russ Taxter, Ben Beers and Hamilton Hayes received instructor certification in External Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation. Six new members were also welcomed into the squad during 1973. They are John Calloway, Mike Colgan, Dick Olmstead, Ben Parker, Charles Skiptunas and Ken Wolfe.

Last year also marked the completion of our much needed and very much appreciated building addition made possible by the energy and ambition of the membership and the munificence of the townspeople. We intend to have an open house as soon as more favorable weather arrives.

The rescue truck is being temporarily delayed at International Harvester due to a front axle supply problem, but we are in hopes to be in its receipt by May or June of this year. This piece of equipment will complement both the Fire Department and ourselves enabling each to provide better service.

In closing, I would like to extend the squad's thanks to both the townspeople of Manchester and the surrounding towns for their continuing and valued support and to the police department, fire department, town managers office, and the dispatchers without whose diligence and competence we would have great difficulty functioning.

Respectfully submitted,  
HAMILTON J. HAYES  
President

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

RECEIPTS

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	ACTUAL EXCESS (DEFICIENCY)
<b>BUDGETED RECEIPTS</b>			
TAX RECEIPTS	\$291,282	\$291,282	\$ -
STATE AID			
A.D.M.	3,700	5,480	1,780
DEBT SERVICE	1,912	1,960	48
N.D.E.A.	300	300	-
TUITION	3,100	3,953	853
GLEBE RENT	100	79	(21)
FOREST MONEY	350	417	67
RENTS	<u>60</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(60)</u>
	<u>\$300,804</u>	303,471	<u>\$2,667</u>
<b>NON-BUDGETED RECEIPTS</b>			
SHORT-TERM LOANS		53,300	
SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT, EXHIBIT C		9,808	
INTEREST		436	
MISCELLANEOUS		<u>2,185</u>	
		369,200	
CASH IN BANK, JULY 1, 1972		<u>(1,320)</u>	
		<u>\$367,880</u>	

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

EXPENDITURES

DEPARTMENT	<u>SCHEDULE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	ACTUAL REDUCTION <u>(OVEREXPENDED)</u>
ADMINISTRATION	A-1	\$ 15,316	\$ 14,347	\$ 969
INSTRUCTION	A-2	106,474	110,861	(4,387)
HEALTH SERVICES	A-3	900	1,400	(500)
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	A-4	24,199	25,031	(832)
OPERATION OF PLANT	A-5	13,465	13,052	413
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	A-6	3,507	4,220	(713)
FIXED CHARGES	A-7	13,960	12,862	1,098
FOOD SERVICES	A-8	1,800	1,810	(10)
CAPITAL OUTLAY	A-9	6,895	596	6,299
DEBT SERVICE	A-10	13,060	13,780	(720)
OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS	A-11	<u>100,728</u>	<u>104,269</u>	<u>(3,541)</u>
		<u>\$300,304</u>	302,228	<u>\$(1,924)</u>
NON-BUDGETED EXPENDITURES				
SHORT-TERM LOANS			53,300	
SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT, EXHIBIT C			<u>9,808</u>	
			365,336	
CASH IN BANK, JUNE 30, 1973			<u>2,544</u>	
			<u>\$367,880</u>	

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ADMINISTRATION - EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL REDUCTION (OVEREXPENDED)</u>
SALARIES			
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$ 860	\$ 781	\$ 79
TREASURER	1,250	1,250	-
OTHER EXPENSES			
BOARD OF EDUCATION	150	180	(30)
TREASURER'S OFFICE	75	125	(50)
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	11,226	9,532	1,694
CENSUS ENUMERATION	30	-	30
PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	200	217	(17)
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES FOR ADMINISTRATION	<u>1,525</u>	<u>2,262</u>	<u>(737)</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$15,316</u>	<u>\$14,347</u>	<u>\$969</u>

## SCHEDULE A-2

<u>INSTRUCTION - EXPENDITURES</u>			
SALARIES	\$ 91,816	\$102,621	\$(10,805)
AIDES	7,198	-	7,198
TEXTBOOKS	1,000	234	766
SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS	1,100	1,153	(53)
PERIODICALS AND NEWSPAPERS	175	51	124
AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS	775	615	160
OTHER LIBRARY EXPENSES	185	56	129
TEACHING SUPPLIES	3,800	5,456	(1,656)
SUPPLIES (OFFICE, STAFF IN-SERVICE)	100	34	66
TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR INSTRUCTION	300	167	133
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES FOR INSTRUCTION	<u>25</u>	<u>474</u>	<u>(449)</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$106,474</u>	<u>\$110,861</u>	<u>\$(4,387)</u>

## SCHEDULE A-3

<u>HEALTH SERVICES - EXPENDITURES</u>			
HEALTH SERVICES	\$900	\$1,400	\$(500)
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$900</u>	<u>\$1,400</u>	<u>\$(500)</u>



## SCHEDULE A-4

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES - EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL REDUCTION (OVEREXPENDED)</u>
SALARIES - BUS DRIVERS	\$ 9,420	\$ 9,969	\$(549)
CONTRACTED SERVICES	11,664	11,308	356
PUPIL INSURANCE	485	482	3
GASOLINE	1,100	1,271	(171)
LUBRICANTS	-	6	(6)
TIRES AND TUBES	500	167	333
BUS MAINTENANCE	1,000	1,746	(746)
MISCELLANEOUS	<u>30</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>(52)</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$24,199</u>	<u>\$25,031</u>	<u>\$(832)</u>

## SCHEDULE A-5

OPERATION OF PLANT - EXPENDITURES

SALARIES - CUSTODIAL SERVICES	\$ 6,520	\$ 6,518	\$ 2
CONTRACTED SERVICES	845	883	(38)
HEAT FOR BUILDING	1,400	1,421	(21)
ELECTRICITY	2,300	2,194	106
TELEPHONE	450	476	(26)
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	1,700	1,554	146
OTHER SUPPLIES	<u>250</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>244</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$13,465</u>	<u>\$13,052</u>	<u>\$413</u>

## SCHEDULE A-6

MAINTENANCE OF PLANT - EXPENDITURES

GROUNDS	\$ 100	\$ 147	\$(47)
BUILDINGS	2,000	2,845	(845)
REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	387	41	346
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL EQUIPMENT REPLACED	740	622	118
OTHER EXPENSES			
GROUNDS	50	108	(58)
BUILDINGS	30	47	(17)
REPAIRS TO EQUIPMENT	<u>200</u>	<u>410</u>	<u>(210)</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$3,507</u>	<u>\$4,220</u>	<u>\$(713)</u>

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FIXED CHARGES - EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL REDUCTION (OVEREXPENDED)
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 6,116	\$ 6,440	\$ (324)
PROPERTY INSURANCE	1,600	1,703	(103)
EMPLOYEE INSURANCE	4,204	3,252	952
FIDELITY BOND PREMIUMS	40	-	40
RENTAL	1,700	1,200	500
INTEREST ON CURRENT LOANS	300	267	33
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$13,960</u>	<u>\$12,862</u>	<u>\$1,098</u>

## SCHEDULE A-8

<u>FOOD SERVICES - EXPENDITURES</u>			
OTHER EXPENSES	<u>\$1,800</u>	<u>\$1,810</u>	<u>\$(10)</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$1,800</u>	<u>\$1,810</u>	<u>\$(10)</u>

## SCHEDULE A-9

<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY - EXPENDITURES</u>			
SITES	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ 200
IMPROVEMENTS TO SITES	250	-	250
BUILDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	5,625	28	5,597
EQUIPMENT FOR INSTRUCTION	635	356	279
EQUIPMENT FOR MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	60	68	(8)
EQUIPMENT FOR OPERATION OF PLANT	-	144	(144)
EQUIPMENT FOR FOOD SERVICES	125	-	125
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$6,895</u>	<u>\$596</u>	<u>\$6,299</u>

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DEBT SERVICE - EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	ACTUAL REDUCTION ( <u>OVEREXPENDED</u> )
BONDS, EXHIBIT B	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -
INTEREST ON BONDS (NOTE)	1,560	2,280	720
SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT, EXHIBIT C	<u>3,500</u>	<u>3,500</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$13,060</u>	<u>\$13,780</u>	<u>\$720</u>

NOTE: ONE YEAR'S INTEREST WAS PAID IN SEPTEMBER WHEN ONLY SIX MONTHS PAYMENT WAS DUE. THE \$720 HAS BEEN RETURNED AFTER 6-30-73 AND PAID TO THE BANK ON THE DUE DATE.

## SCHEDULE A-11

OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS - EXPENDITURES

TUITION - MANCHESTER	\$ 4,750	\$ 3,949	\$ 801
TUITION - GRANVILLE AND SALEM	550	1,150	(600)
TUITION - BURR AND BURTON	86,950	92,545	(5,595)
TUITION - OTHER PRIVATE SCHOOLS	6,675	4,261	2,414
SPECIAL EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENT TO STATE	1,503	1,989	(486)
SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION	<u>300</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>(75)</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$100,728</u>	<u>\$104,269</u>	<u>\$(3,541)</u>

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BONDS

<u>DATE OF ISSUE</u>	<u>DATE OF MATURITY</u>	<u>INTEREST RATE</u> %	<u>OUT- STANDING 7-1-72</u>	<u>NEW ISSUE F/Y 6-30-73</u>	<u>RETIRED F/Y 6-30-73</u>	<u>OUT- STANDING 6-30-73</u>
9- 1-58	9-1-78	3.00	\$56,000	\$ -	\$8,000	\$ 48,000
5-24-73	4-1-83	3.85	-	57,000	-	57,000
			<u>\$56,000</u>	<u>\$57,000</u>	<u>\$8,000</u>	<u>\$105,000</u>

EXHIBIT D      SCHEDULE A-10

DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

<u>FISCAL YEAR ENDED</u>	<u>MONTPELIER NATIONAL BANK</u>		<u>FACTORY POINT NATIONAL BANK</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>	
	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>
6-30-74	\$1,320	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,195	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,515	\$ 14,000
75	1,080	8,000	1,964	6,000	3,044	14,000
76	840	8,000	1,732	6,000	2,572	14,000
77	600	8,000	1,502	6,000	2,102	14,000
78	360	8,000	1,270	6,000	1,630	14,000
79	120	8,000	1,039	6,000	1,159	14,000
80			809	6,000	809	6,000
81			578	5,000	578	5,000
82			385	5,000	385	5,000
83			192	5,000	192	5,000
	<u>\$4,320</u>	<u>\$48,000</u>	<u>\$11,666</u>	<u>\$57,000</u>	<u>\$15,986</u>	<u>\$105,000</u>



## TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

CASH IN BANK, JULY 1, 1972		\$ 8,608
ADD: RECEIPTS		
FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT, SCHEDULE A-10	\$3,500	
INTEREST	<u>495</u>	<u>3,995</u>
		12,603
LESS: EXPENDITURES		
PURCHASE OF NEW BUS, EXHIBIT A		<u>9,808</u>
CASH IN BANK, JUNE 30, 1973		\$ <u>2,795</u>

## TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1973

CASH IN BANK, JULY 1, 1972		\$ -
ADD: RECEIPTS		
STATE AID FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS	\$12,075	
PROCEEDS OF BOND ISSUE, EXHIBIT B	57,000	
INTEREST	<u>569</u>	<u>69,644</u>
		69,644
LESS: EXPENDITURES		
CONTRACTOR	29,453	
ARCHITECT	6,762	
PAYROLL	297	
LEGAL	100	
INSURANCE	<u>260</u>	<u>36,872</u>
CASH IN BANK, JUNE 30, 1973		\$ <u>32,772</u>

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>		ACTUAL EXCESS (DEFICIENCY)
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	
BUDGETED RECEIPTS			
TAX RECEIPTS	\$344,238	\$172,494	\$(171,744)
STATE AID			
A.D.M.	7,000	7,853	853
DEBT SERVICE	1,888	1,912	24
N.D.E.A.	-	-	-
TUITION	2,730	-	(2,730)
GLEBE RENT	100	-	(100)
FOREST MONEY	300	437	137
RENTS	50	-	(50)
INTEREST	-	252	252
	<u>\$356,306</u>	182,948	<u>\$(173,358)</u>
NON-BUDGETED RECEIPTS			
SHORT-TERM LOANS		89,000	
SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT, EXHIBIT C		9,840	
MISCELLANEOUS		<u>637</u>	
		282,425	
CASH IN BANK, JULY 1, 1973		<u>2,544</u>	
		<u>\$284,969</u>	

NOTE: BUDGET FIGURES THROUGHOUT THIS "UNAUDITED" SECTION ARE FOR THE FULL FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 1973 - JUNE 30, 1974.

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

EXPENDITURES

DEPARTMENT	<u>SCHEDULE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	ACTUAL REDUCTION (OVEREXPENDED)
ADMINISTRATION	A-1	\$ 15,778	\$ 8,181	\$ 7,597
INSTRUCTION	A-2	116,500	55,031	61,469
HEALTH SERVICES	A-3	650	18	632
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	A-4	23,499	9,109	14,390
OPERATION OF PLANT	A-5	15,940	8,667	7,273
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	A-6	2,740	3,462	(722)
FIXED CHARGES	A-7	14,522	4,423	10,099
FOOD SERVICES	A-8	2,000	1,573	427
CAPITAL OUTLAY	A-9	5,997	5,810	187
DEBT SERVICE	A-10	21,490	16,152	5,338
OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS	A-11	137,500	70,939	66,561
STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES	A-12	400	100	300
		<u>\$357,016</u>	183,465	<u>\$173,551</u>
NON-BUDGETED EXPENDITURES				
SHORT-TERM LOANS (NOTE)			53,000	
SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT, EXHIBIT C			9,840	
CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, EXHIBIT D			<u>8,100</u>	
			254,405	
CASH IN BANK, DECEMBER 31, 1973		\$34,574		
LESS: EMPLOYEES' PAYROLL TAXES WITHHELD AND NOT REMITTED		<u>4,010</u>	<u>30,564</u>	
			<u>\$284,969</u>	

NOTE: DURING THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973, THE TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT BORROWED \$89,000 AND REPAYED \$53,000 LEAVING A NOTE PAYABLE OF \$36,000 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1973.

## TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

## ADMINISTRATION - EXPENDITURES

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	ACTUAL REDUCTION (OVEREXPENDED)
SALARIES			
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$ 1,950	\$ 537	\$1,413
TREASURER	1,710	1,228	482
OTHER EXPENSES			
BOARD OF EDUCATION	180	180	-
TREASURER'S OFFICE	75	-	75
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	11,063	5,949	5,114
PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	200	6	194
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES FOR ADMINISTRATION	<u>600</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>319</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$15,778</u>	<u>\$8,181</u>	<u>\$7,597</u>

## SCHEDULE A-2

<u>INSTRUCTION - EXPENDITURES</u>			
SALARIES	\$101,000	\$49,157	\$51,843
AIDES	7,000	2,190	4,810
TEXTBOOKS	850	456	394
SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS	1,100	318	782
PERIODICALS AND NEWSPAPERS	200	138	62
AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS	1,000	200	800
OTHER LIBRARY EXPENSES	200	114	86
INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS	200	113	87
TEACHING SUPPLIES	3,600	2,097	1,503
SUPPLIES (OFFICE, STAFF IN-SERVICE)	150	5	145
TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR INSTRUCTION	300	93	207
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES FOR INSTRUCTION	<u>900</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>750</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$116,500</u>	<u>\$55,031</u>	<u>\$61,469</u>

## SCHEDULE A-3

<u>HEALTH SERVICES - EXPENDITURES</u>			
HEALTH SERVICES	\$650	\$18	\$632
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$650</u>	<u>\$18</u>	<u>\$632</u>



SCHEDULE A-4

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES - EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL REDUCTION (OVEREXPENDED)
SALARIES - BUS DRIVERS	\$ 7,890	\$ 3,576	\$ 4,314
CONTRACTED SERVICES	12,384	3,212	9,172
PUPIL INSURANCE	585	899	(314)
GASOLINE	1,100	788	312
TIRES AND TUBES	500	-	500
BUS MAINTENANCE	1,000	614	386
MISCELLANEOUS	<u>40</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$23,499</u>	<u>\$ 9,109</u>	<u>\$14,390</u>

SCHEDULE A-5

OPERATION OF PLANT - EXPENDITURES

SALARIES - CUSTODIAL SERVICES	\$ 8,590	\$ 5,877	\$2,713
CONTRACTED SERVICES	300	114	186
HEAT FOR BUILDING	1,800	-	1,800
ELECTRICITY	2,800	798	2,002
TELEPHONE	450	300	150
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	1,900	1,578	322
OTHER SUPPLIES	<u>100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$15,940</u>	<u>\$ 8,667</u>	<u>\$7,273</u>

SCHEDULE A-6

MAINTENANCE OF PLANT - EXPENDITURES

GROUNDS	\$ 50	\$ 591	\$(541)
BUILDINGS	2,000	2,587	(587)
REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	150	89	61
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL EQUIPMENT REPLACED	200	-	200
OTHER EXPENSES			
GROUNDS	150	54	96
BUILDINGS	35	21	14
REPAIRS TO EQUIPMENT	<u>155</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>35</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$2,740</u>	<u>\$3,462</u>	<u>\$(722)</u>

## TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

## FIXED CHARGES - EXPENDITURES

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL REDUCTION (OVEREXPENDED)
SOCIAL SECURITY (NOTE)	\$ 7,282	\$1,344	\$ 5,938
PROPERTY INSURANCE	1,900	55	1,845
EMPLOYEE INSURANCE	5,000	2,433	2,567
FIDELITY BOND PREMIUMS	40	-	40
RENTAL	-	300	(300)
INTEREST ON CURRENT LOANS	300	291	9
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$14,522</u>	<u>\$4,423</u>	<u>\$10,099</u>

NOTE: AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1973, THERE IS APPROXIMATELY \$2,100 OF UNPAID SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES.

## SCHEDULE A-8

FOOD SERVICES - EXPENDITURES

## OTHER EXPENSES

\$2,000	\$1,573	\$427
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## TOTALS, EXHIBIT A

<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$1,573</u>	<u>\$427</u>
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## SCHEDULE A-9

CAPITAL OUTLAY - EXPENDITURES

## SITES

\$ 200	\$ -	\$200
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## IMPROVEMENTS TO SITES

100	-	100
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## BUILDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

250	-	250
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## REMODELING

3,300	3,738	(438)
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## EQUIPMENT FOR INSTRUCTION

1,732	770	962
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## EQUIPMENT FOR MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

-	745	(745)
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## EQUIPMENT FOR OPERATION OF PLANT

415	557	(142)
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## TOTALS, EXHIBIT A

<u>\$5,997</u>	<u>\$5,810</u>	<u>\$187</u>
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## TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

## DEBT SERVICE - EXPENDITURES

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	ACTUAL REDUCTION ( <u>OVEREXPENDED</u> )
BONDS, EXHIBIT B	\$13,750	\$ 8,000	\$5,750
INTEREST ON BONDS	3,740	1,097	2,643
SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT, EXHIBIT C	<u>4,000</u>	<u>7,055</u>	(3,055)
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$21,490</u>	<u>\$16,152</u>	<u>\$5,338</u>

## SCHEDULE A-11

<u>OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS - EXPENDITURES</u>			
TUITION - PUBLIC OUT OF STATE	\$ -	\$ 275	\$ (275)
TUITION - PRIVATE IN STATE	127,500	68,814	58,686
TUITION - OTHER PRIVATE SCHOOLS	8,100	-	8,100
SPECIAL EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENT TO STATE	1,600	1,850	(250)
SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION	<u>300</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$137,500</u>	<u>\$70,939</u>	<u>\$66,561</u>

## SCHEDULE A-12

<u>STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES</u>			
OTHER EXPENSES	<u>\$400</u>	<u>\$100</u>	<u>\$300</u>
TOTALS, EXHIBIT A	<u>\$400</u>	<u>\$100</u>	<u>\$300</u>

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BONDS

<u>DATE OF ISSUE</u>	<u>DATE OF MATURITY</u>	<u>INTEREST RATE</u> %	<u>OUT- STANDING 7-1-73</u>	<u>RETIRED 12-31-73</u>	<u>OUT- STANDING 12-31-73</u>
9- 1-58	9-1-78	3.00	\$ 48,000	\$8,000	\$40,000
5-24-73	4-1-83	3.85	<u>57,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>57,000</u>
			<u>\$105,000</u>	<u>\$8,000</u>	<u>\$97,000</u>

SCHEDULE A-10

DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

<u>FISCAL YEAR ENDED</u>	<u>MONTPELIER NATIONAL BANK</u>		<u>FACTORY POINT NATIONAL BANK</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>	
	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>
6-30-74	\$1,320	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,195	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,515	\$ 14,000
75	1,080	8,000	1,964	6,000	3,044	14,000
76	840	8,000	1,732	6,000	2,572	14,000
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82			385	5,000	385	5,000
83			<u>192</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>5,000</u>
	<u>\$4,320</u>	<u>\$48,000</u>	<u>\$11,666</u>	<u>\$57,000</u>	<u>\$15,986</u>	<u>\$105,000</u>



## TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

CASH IN BANK, JULY 1, 1973		\$2,795
ADD: RECEIPTS		
FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT, SCHEDULE A-10	\$7,055	
INTEREST	<u>14</u>	<u>7,069</u>
		9,864
LESS: EXPENDITURES		
PURCHASE OF NEW BUS, EXHIBIT A		<u>9,840</u>
CASH IN BANK, DECEMBER 31, 1973		\$ <u>24</u>

EXHIBIT D

## TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973

WITHOUT AUDIT

CASH IN BANK, JULY 1, 1973		\$32,772
ADD: RECEIPTS		
FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT, SCHEDULE A-10	\$ 8,100	
INTEREST	<u>277</u>	<u>8,377</u>
		41,149
LESS: EXPENDITURES		
CONTRACTOR (NOTE)	40,605	
SUB-CONTRACTOR	450	
PAYROLL	<u>53</u>	<u>41,103</u>
CASH IN BANK, DECEMBER 31, 1973		\$ <u>41</u>

NOTE: THE TOTAL COST OF THE BUILDING RENOVATIONS WAS \$78,980 AND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1973 THERE WAS A \$1,000 HOLDBACK.

## WARNING

Legal voters of the Town of Dorset, County of Bennington, State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Dorset Elementary School, South Dorset, Vermont on the 4th day of March, 1974, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock in the evening of the said day to transact any business not involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by ballot and on the 5th day of March, 1974, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon to transact any business involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by ballot.

(Articles 2, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20 will be on Australian Ballot on March 5th. All other articles will be taken up at the evening meeting on March 4th. Polls will close at 6 o'clock P.M. on March 5th.)

- Art. 1 To hear reports of Town Officers and take proper action on same.
- Art. 2 To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot. Boxes to close at 6 P.M.
- Art. 3 To see if the Town will vote to raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay current expenses of the Town.
- Art. 4 Shall the names of delinquent taxpayers, Poll, Real Estate and Personal, be published in the Town Report if delinquent on December 31?
- Art. 5 Will the Town vote to increase the interest on all delinquent taxes from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1% per month or fraction thereof to 1% per month or fraction thereof. The 1% interest shall remain in effect until properly voted otherwise as per 32 VSA 5136.
- Art. 6 To determine by vote the date on which taxes will be payable and at what discount, if any, not to exceed four percent, shall be allowed, if paid on or before the specified time, or what interest shall be charged, if any, if delinquent.
- Art. 7 To see what compensation the Town will pay its officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 8 To see if the Town will vote an appropriation of \$1,000.00 to the East Dorset Fire District. To be voted by Australian Ballot.
- Art. 9 To see if the Town will vote an appropriation of \$1,000.00 to the Dorset Fire District. To be voted by Australian Ballot.
- Art. 10 To see if the Town will vote an appropriation not to exceed \$200.00 for the observance of Memorial Day to go to McBride-Harwood Post NO. 44.
- Art. 11 To see if the Town will vote an appropriation of \$500.00 to the Dorset Village Public Library, Inc.. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

- Art. 12 To see if the Town will vote an appropriation not to exceed \$150.00 for the Animal Shelter.
- Art. 13 To see if the Town of Dorset will vote the sum of \$496.00 as its share for the continuation of the work of the Bennington County Regional Planning Commission for one year commencing July 1, 1974.
- Art. 14 To see if the Town will vote an appropriation not to exceed \$250.00 for the Town's Bicentennial Committee's expenses.
- Art. 15 To determine by Australian Ballot whether the Town shall appropriate a sum not to exceed \$8000.00 for the hiring, equipping and expenses of a full-time policeman for 1974 and with the understanding that costs to the Town for this same service for 1975 will not exceed \$9000.00, and should continue in the \$9000.00 range from year to year, if so voted.
- Art. 16 To determine by Australian Ballot whether the Town will adopt the Amendments to the Town's Zoning By-Laws as published in the Manchester Journal of January 31, 1974 and posted in six public places in Dorset and available along with the original text of the By-Laws as adopted on March 6, 1973 in the Town Office.
- Art. 17 To determine by Australian Ballot whether the Town will vote the Dorset Sportsmen's Club exempt from Dorset Town Taxes.
- Art. 18 STATE AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1972  
To determine by Australian Ballot whether the Town will spend "Revenue Sharing Funds" as follows:
- (1) To the Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council to support a Dorset Social Services Coordinator for one year to ensure that social and human services and other resources available to Dorset citizens get to those local residents who need them most — this commitment based on BOC's promise to provide this service and if BOC cannot meet this promise, the money's so voted will be put aside for expenditure at a future time after another vote by Town citizens.  

\$2215.00	Yes [ ]
	No [ ]
  - (2) Toward the purchase by the Dorset Nursing Association of a new building so it can provide more and better nursing services to all citiznes of Dorset, especially school age children.  

\$4000.00	Yes [ ]
	No [ ]

- (3) To purchase a new school bus made necessary by the increasing number of Dorset School children — a saving to the taxpayer of 3¢ per hundred dollars of valuation based on 1973 Grand List.

\$6000.00

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

- (4) To have a complete reappraisal made of the entire town, in the interest of making all land and house appraisals more equitable. Should the State pass a bill providing this, which is unlikely, the \$15,000.00 voted would be put aside and its use voted on by Dorset citizens at a later date.

\$15,000.00

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

- (5) Toward the purchase of a new fire truck by the East Dorset Fire District.

\$12,500.00

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

- (6) To purchase a new pick-up truck replacing one the Town now has, a saving to the taxpayer of 2¢ per hundred dollars of valuation based on the 1973 Grand List. \*\*

\$4000.00 (net after trade) Yes [ ]

No [ ]

- (7) To put aside toward the replacement of Town's present loader — a saving to the taxpayer of 5¢ per hundred dollars of valuation based on 1973 Grand List. \*\*

\$10,000.00

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

\*\* Due to rising prices, the town's annual allotment of \$10,000 to the depreciation reserve fund is not enough. If the items in numbers 6 and 7 can be covered or aided by Revenue Sharing Funds, the time when depreciation reserve fund allotments must be substantially raised can be postponed for as long as Revenue Sharing Funds are available, put off indefinitely, a large saving to taxpayers.

- (8) Toward purchase of materials by Dorset Sportsmen's Club for its new community center.

\$3000.00

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

- (9) To the Dorset Public Library Inc. for purchase of books to make up for previously received funds from a Federal Government Aid to Libraries Program discontinued when Federal Revenue Sharing was instituted.

\$600.00

Yes [ ]

No [ ]



- Art. 19 To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Australian Ballot system, to be used for the election of Town Officers.
- Art. 20 To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to employ a public accountant for a sum not to exceed \$920.00 to aid in the work of the Auditors. To be voted by Australian Ballot.
- Art. 21 To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to take advantage of any State or Federal monies available.
- Art. 22 To see if the Town will vote to divide equally between highways and schools any National Forest money. Vote required.
- At. 23 To act on the 1974 Budget as prepared by the Town Officers.
- Art. 24 To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

Dated at Dorset, Vermont  
this 31st day of January, A.D., 1974.

JAMES W. LEE, II	CALVIN SKINNER
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Selectmen, Town of Dorset	

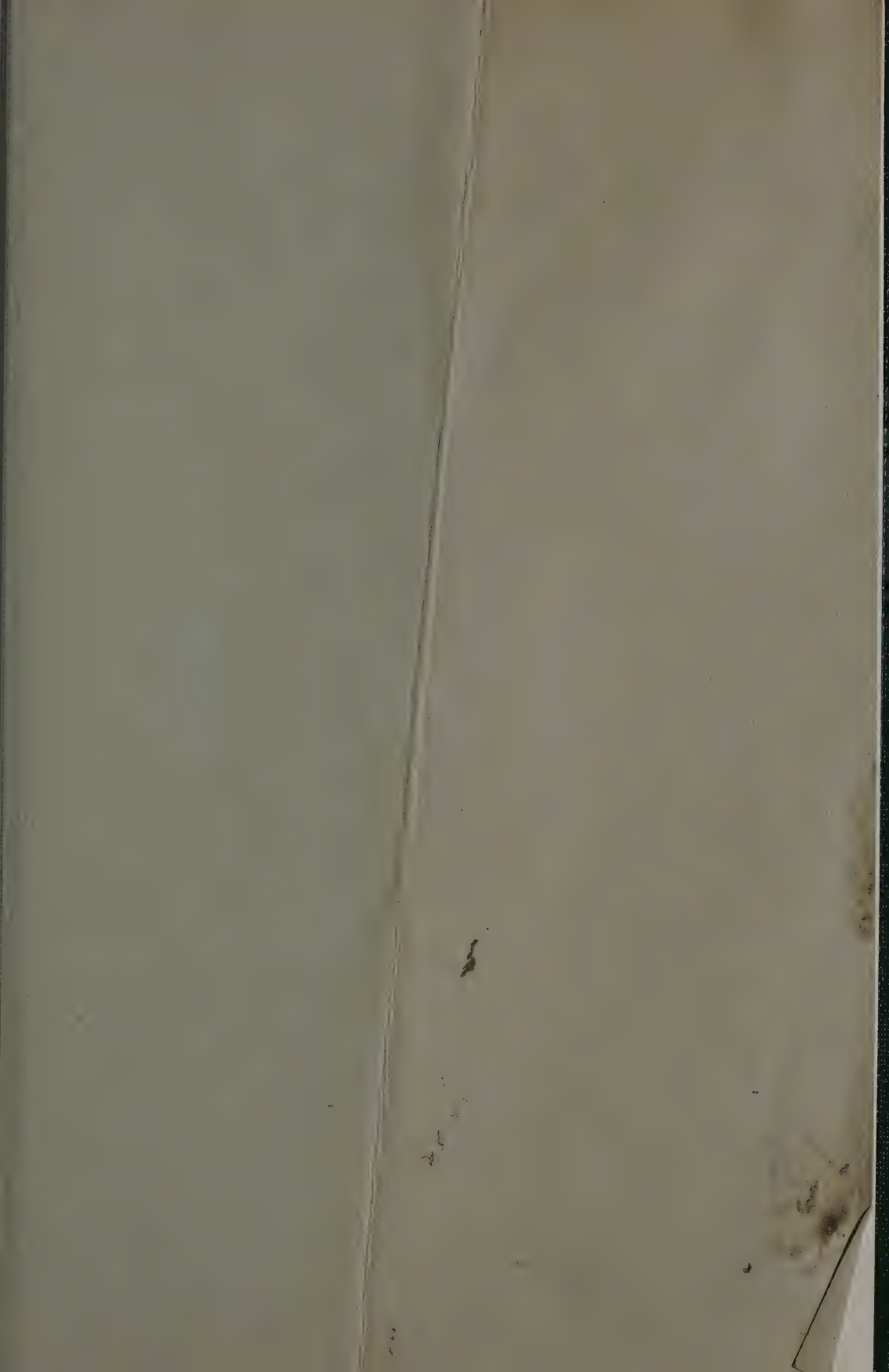
## WARNING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

Legal voters of the Town School District of Dorset, County of Bennington, State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Dorset Elementary School in South Dorset on the fourth day of March, 1974 at the hour of 7:30 o'clock in the evening of said day to transact any business not involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by ballot and on the 5th day of March, 1974 at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to transact any business involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by ballots. Polls will close at 6 o'clock on the evening of March 5th.

- Art. 1 To hear the reports of the officers of the Dorset Town School District and to take proper action on the same.
- Art. 2 To elect Town School District officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot.
- Art. 3 To see if the Town School District will vote to raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the current expenses of the School District.
- Art. 4 Will the Town vote to increase the interest on all delinquent taxes from  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1% per month or fraction thereof to 1% per month or fraction thereof. The 1% interest shall remain in effect until properly voted, otherwise as per 32VSA5136.
- Art. 5 To determine by vote the date on which taxes will be payable and at what discount, if any, not to exceed 4% shall be allowed if paid on or before the specified time or what interest shall be charged, if any, if delinquent.
- Art. 6 To determine what compensation the Town School District will pay its officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7 To see if the Town School District will change the term of office for School Directors elected from one year to a two year term to be staggered and to be elected at 1975 Town Meeting. To be voted on by Australian Ballot.
- Art. 8 To see if the Town School District will empower the School Directors to provide for fluoridation of water in the Dorset Elementary School. To be voted by Australian Ballot.
- Art. 8 To act on the budget as prepared by the School Directors.
- Art. 9 To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

Dated at Dorset, Vermont, in the County of Bennington, and State of Vermont this 29th day of January, 1974.

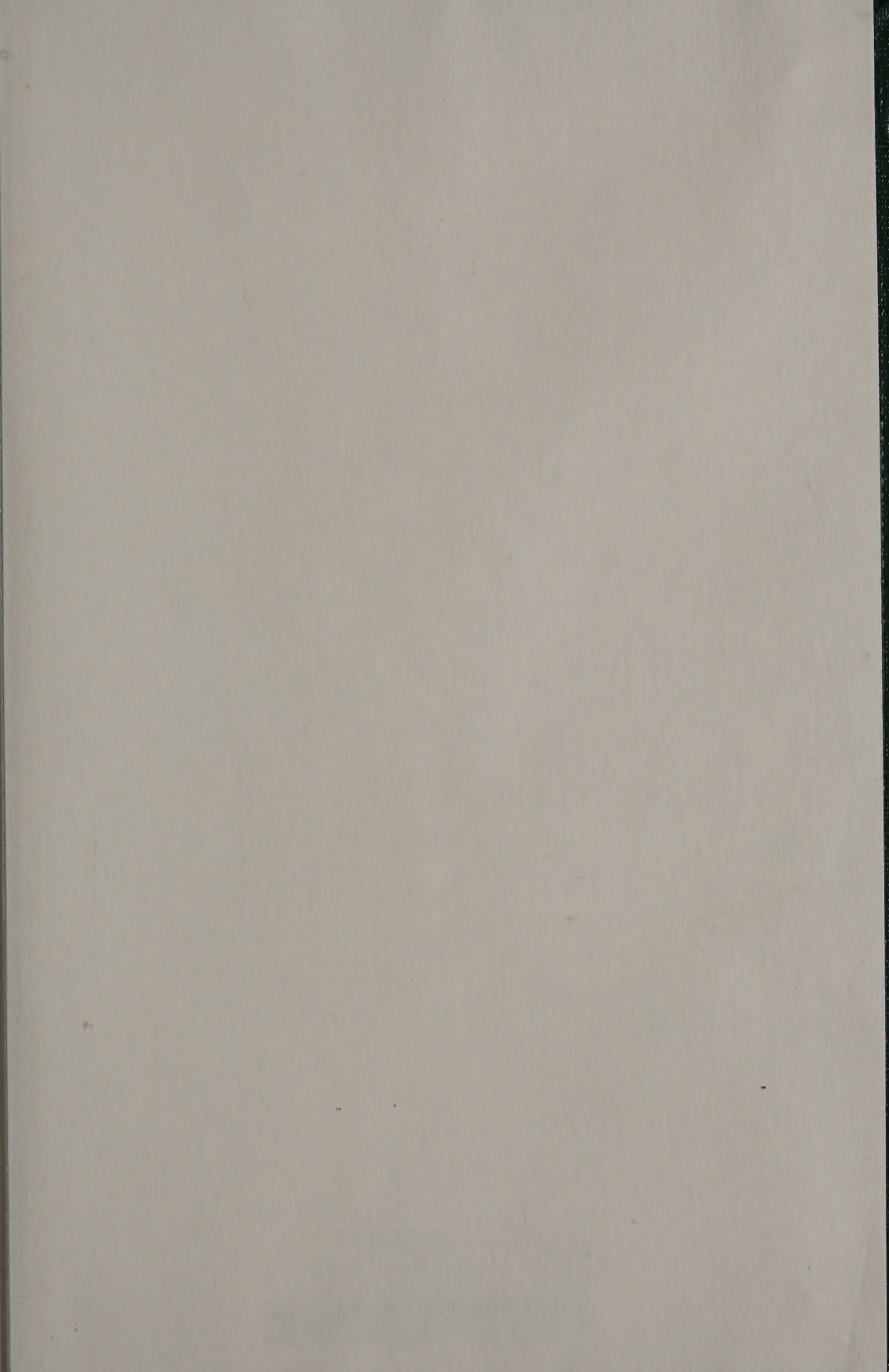
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